3 Woodbine St.
Roxbury. Mass. July 20/18

Dr. W. E. DuBois,
New York. N.Y.;

My dear Dr Dubois:
Mrs. Baynard joins me in hearty congratulations on your appointment as Captain in the U.S. Intelligence Department. Surely the right man in the right place.

I remain Yours sincerely,
Powhatan Baynard

JUL 20 1918

Confidential

July 26, 1918.

Mr. P. Bagnall,
3 Woodbine Street,
Roxbury, Mass.

My dear Sir:

In Dr. DuBois' absence from the city, I beg to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of July 20.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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Washington, D.C.
February 17 1918.

Dear Dr. Du Bois,

I am glad to greet you on your fiftieth birthday. Many great men were born in February, and I think you are one of them.

Dr. and Mother send best

wishes for many
more happy years
for you. Clarice
sends a kiss to her
picture.

your little friend,
Henri Bailey

2/14/22

March 6, 1918.

Mr. Henri Bailey,
c/o Dunbar High School,
Washington, D. C.

My dear little Friend:

I thank you very much for your kind word.

Will you please kiss your little sister for me, and tell your father and mother that I am glad to have their good wishes?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

[CLARKE BAILEY]

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Dear Dr. DuBois: I
send you a kiss.

Clarke.

JUL 5 1918

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Washington D. C.
July 3 1918.

Dear Dr. DuBois.

Here is a snapshot which Mother took of us. Mother thinks it is a fine picture. Do you like it?

Your little friend,
Henri Lewis Bailey.

Friends - P7

July 5, 1918.

Miss Clarke Bailey,
1633 Nineteenth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

2/16/17

My dear Clarke:

Thank you very much for the picture which you and your brother sent me. I think it is very good.

My love to father and mother and a kiss to you,

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Gertrude Baker
126 W. 37
NYC

Recommendations
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October 17. 1918.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that Miss Certrude Baker has been employed by me as a stenographer for a year and has given satisfaction. She leaves of her own accord in occasion of her marriage.

WEBD:AM:

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MAR 5 1918

TWENTY-EIGHT TWENTY-TWO SHERMAN AVENUE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Sunday, March 3/18. 14

My dear Dr. Du Bois—

They do say that "the truth is the light," and so I am merely facing the light when I tell you that it was my full intention to write you a "nice" letter in time for it to reach you a day or two ahead of your fiftieth anniversary, but I just simply forgot it—and there's the truth.

You see I myself have reached that time of life—nearer by far to the 3 score mark than to the 2½—when a fellow's "forgetery" works overtime with annoying regularity, and there you are. Of course you know how thoroughly I do aspire to be numbered with the friends who, in multiplied hundreds, unite to ~~wish~~ wish you godspeed on the turn of your semi-centenary, and to express the ardent wish that the Fates will still spare you, and that your courage and capacity will still urge you to continue the really splendid work you have been doing so courageously in behalf of the intellectual and social brotherhood of mankind. Please do not permit the tardiness to detract one whit from the sincerity of the congratulations I now send you both for myself and Mrs. Baker.

Very sincerely yours,

Henry E. Baker.

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March 13, 1918.

Mr. N. Baker,
2822 Sherman Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind letter on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WMBD/GRB.

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U.S. Patent Office,
Washington, D.C.,
JUL 17 1918
July 17/18

My dear Doctor—

I am writing to tell you that I stand squarely with those others of your friends and supporters here in Washington who believe thoroughly that your present commanding position as editor of the most influential and useful organ ever conducted by our race should not be abandoned by you unless in your judgment the change offers you a wider opportunity for more useful service in a cause to which you have so successfully dedicated your splendid powers.

Your work on The Crisis has unmistakably set you apart as one specially qualified, in an unusual way, for doing the great work that must needs be done at this time in directing the attention of the white world to its shameful attitude towards the whole colored world. And this great work must not be abandoned. Not only this, but it must be kept up to its greatest efficiency.

I do not believe we have any another

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man among us so fitted and endowed as is yourself for this stupendous task. And even if you think you see in the new field, to which rumor has it you are about to be called, that greater opportunity for still higher service, you must know how difficult it is going to be to bring your present constituency to see it in that light. Will not that very fact militate to an appreciable degree against the full effectiveness of this new service? Furthermore, this new field is at best, merely an experiment, while the old field is an achievement. May not some other man do as well in the new field? But what other man can successfully continue the old? These considerations are presented to you as the earnest reflections of a friend who is certain that no possible mistake of judgment shall now occur to mar the really meritorious progress of work to which you have already devoted yourself with such fine ability, such splendid courage and such notable success.

Yours very sincerely,

Newton D. Baker.

Captaincy P7

July 17, 1918.

Mr. Henry E. Baker,
U.S. Patent Office,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

Dr. DuBois is away from the office on his vacation and will not return until the latter part of August.

Thanks for your letter of July 1, a copy of which I am sending him.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Grand Forks N. D.
Feb. 18th 1918

Dr W. E. B. DuBois
New York

FEB 25 1918

Dear Dr Du Bois:-

Altho unknown to you by name, I feel drawn to write you a line at this time to express my congratulations, sympathy in all your struggles, and courage and good-cheer for the future work you will attempt.

My name is unknown to you but during the years I spent in work in the South-land I was Miss Donnell a friend of Miss Lizzie Pingree's tho I was at Atlanta before her time and

also before your coming.

I have rejoiced from the first at your attitude and aims as expressed in The Crisis. The real truth has been dealt with in such a sugar-coated, man-pleasing fashion that I am glad some one comes to the front who will lay bare the facts and speak up man-fashion.

I am loking many things may result for good from this awful war and not the least may be the world attitude toward your race. This may give the South a thought slow as they are to learn.

And now God bless and sustain you as you close this half-century of labor and look ahead into the new and unknown, may you live to see a great change in the attitude of whites and a steady growth in manly usefullness of blacks in short may you see your best dreams come true.

Sincerely, cordially

Dr Nellie S. Baker.

[ENCLOSURE]

PHONE---N. W. 286-L

Dr. N. S. Baker

Foot Specialist

OFFICE 317
SCANDINAVIAN AMERICAN BANK BUILDING
GRAND FORKS, N. DAK.

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February 27, 1918.

Dr. Nellie S. Baker,
Scandinavian Am. Bank Bldg.,
Grand Forks, N. Dak.

Dear Madam:

I thank you for your kind words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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AMHERST
MASSACHUSETTS

February 19, 1918.

Mr. John R. Shillady,
Secretary, Dinner Committee,
75th Avenue, New York.

My dear Mr. Shillady:

I have just received the invitation to the DuBois dinner on the 25th. I have wanted especially to attend this dinner and show my appreciation of the service of Dr. DuBois, but I am sailing for Europe on Saturday, the 23rd and regret that I cannot be there. If, by any chance, the ship should be delayed until after Monday night, I will certainly come. It will be a pleasure to know that Dr. DuBois is being thus honored.

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Very sincerely yours,

Ray Stannard Baker

FEB 25 1918

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DR. WILSON BALLARD
DENTIST
ROOM 202
PYTHIAN TEMPLE

LOUISVILLE, KY. Feb. 23, 1918.

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York.

Dear Dr:

I am happy to congratulate you on this, your Fiftieth birthday, and I feel proud of the fact that it has been my pleasure to have known you about half that number of years.

When I look back over the space of years I realize that it has been the influence of your personality together with that of some of our mutual friends which has enabled me to look squarely at life and be neither afraid nor discouraged.

I wish for you many happy returns and pray that you may be spared yet many more years of usefulness, fighting as you have done in the past for the rights of men.

Very sincerely yours,

WB*VS.

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March 9, 1918.

Dr. Wilson Ballard,
Pythian Temple ,
Louisville, Kentucky.

My dear Dr. Ballard:

Thank you for your encouraging letter of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WEED/GRB.

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Dar-es-Salaam
East Africa
Aug. 9, 1918

My dear Turner,—

This letter brings greeting to you and family. I think of you all often and I have tried to get down to write you my third letter for sometime.

This leaves me in splendid health and very comfortable, yet exceedingly eager to return home.

I have completed sixteen months of real work here. The arrival in May of Stanley of Lincoln University and Simons of Va. Union University resulted in a very needed rest for me — at least I can rejoice in that particular result.

Lloyd, my companion over, is now the disciplinarian of the recently established Railways' Training School. He was hand over from the Y.M.C.A. to this work in view of his prolonged stay here, and that the school may have a Christian influence and direction. Just a word about this school. The unsatisfactory Indian

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employees have compelled the railway heads to seek other laborers. They decided to try the native, although long before the British came, the native boys were receiving and sending telegraph messages, keeping simple station accounts, and satisfactorily doing various responsible jobs on the railroads. Now this school has an enrollment of 100 training for stenographers, telegraphists, clerks etc. While in school each boy receives an average of $3.00 per month and in service each boy receives $8.00 to $10.00 per month salary, salary increasing according to proficiency. He has no expenses while in school save clothing and a job is awaiting him when he becomes efficient. This is truly a great opportunity for the Swahili boys.

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While I have been here I have tried to see what the missionaries are really accomplishing with the thousands of dollars sent here each year for their work. Materially, I fail to see little or no real achievement which could really be

accredited to the missionary. Spiritually, the Christian missionary does some good, I admit. He preaches Christ and His abounding love, he teaches various songs and prayers. In the school room the natives own language is taught to them along with reading and writing, and, practically, and arithmetic is taught. Too many mission taught boys are unable to count the number of cents in a rupee. Really, were it not for Indians and white seekers of wealth, Africa would long be in black darkness were it not for shining upon the shining light of the Christian missionary. The Africans die certainly not enlightened by missionaries on the real things affecting his life, such as, hiding his body, cooking his food in a healthful way, earning and saving money, obtaining land property and the art of living clean, wholesome lives. On the other hand the Christian missionaries take what they can get of value from the natives, advocate low wages for them and hoard wealth for themselves. Africa in her prejudice and narrowness is equal to the American Southland or worse.

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But the Africans can boast a boast we know not of, they have a country. But of their country they know little and are taught nothing concerning. I have lectured to mission taught boys on the extent, beauty and wealth of their country only to see them stand in awe, and tell me they have never before heard the story of their land. And so I could go on in this story of how the natives are being kept in suppression and darkness in refrence to the things and ways of life.

How is the war? We get little or no news out here.

Remember me kindly to "Nick".

Keep busy, Keep cheerful. I beg to be,

Yours sincerely

F. D. Ballou

2/13/47

Y.M.C.A.
Dar-es-Salaam
East Africa

P.S. - Instead of the address crossed out please write me,

9 Russell Street.
Calcutta, India

as I hope to be there before this letter reaches you.

F D B

There are right words, at the right time and in the right place. L.S.B.

Reprinted from "Doings in East Africa," May, 1918.

WHITE MAN AND BLACK.

By the Right Rev. the Bishop of Zanzibar.

THERE are three main attitudes we may adopt towards natives of Africa. We may count them as hardly human; we may wish to keep them in perpetual servitude to ourselves, or we may see in them one of the child-races, the "little brothers" of the human family.

This last attitude is that which all Christians and all who really know and care for the natives must adopt. The other two are wrong socially, politically and morally; no Christian and no sane citizen can defend them.

Do we mean, then, to claim equality for them with ourselves?

What is equality? Fundamentally all men are equal in as far as they share the common human nature. They are equal in the sense that each human person is an end, not a means to an end and therefore has the right to self-development provided the commonwealth take no harm. Beyond this all men are unequal. We start unequally equipped for the race of life; with different powers, physical, mental and spiritual; as also we live in varying circumstances of quite unequal value to us in our progress. No two men are equal; far less can two races be equal.

It is wiser then to leave these words out of account. We are "big brothers" to the child-races, who need 'nursery discipline' even while in physical power they excel us and in spiritual capacity are no whit behind the average European.

Of the faults of the native African we must not speak here; they are so continually on our lips like the weather or the slackness at the Base!

Of their virtues, however, it is worth while to write since few Europeans take the trouble to think them over as a whole.

1. The *social sense* of the African is his first great virtue. He is no individualist. He is of his clan and of his family; one among many. He obeys clan law, accepts family rulings and shares what he has with his people. He has reached that high level of social duty and of the 'common life' to which our more earnest politicians are now exhorting us.

Why then spoil him? Europeans, in their lust for possessions and wealth disguised as 'development of the Empire,' are concerned to rob the natives of their high social sense and plunge them into a commercial struggle such as England has witnessed since Queen Elizabeth's time. Europe comes with her commercial brutality, her sweating of labour, her starving of man's soul to fill *her* body: And Africa? Let Africa suffer!

Is this right? Is it defensible? Africa should not be made a second den of sweated labour! We must treat her in the light of high principles we now accept. We dare not rob her of her true social sense and lay her under the curse of our dishonoured commercial methods. For God's sake don't let us make Africans individualistic, selfish men. The disease is begun; do not let us encourage it. The African in his up-country village is free from vice. He is not moral, nor is he immoral. He is non-moral; he conforms with the code of his tribe. The vices of Europeans and Arabs are unknown to him. His mind is perhaps inclined to sexual things, but not as rejoicing in filth. The natural side of sex engages his thoughts; he does not wallow in filthy thoughts.

So that we have a real start when we try to lift him to higher things, and the European and Arab influence, with its civilized vices, is retrograde. It is lower than what now moves the African and its vile results are seen in the coast African.

The average African is a decent husband and it is only our ignorance of his customs and code of conduct that makes us think otherwise.

3. We must all admit the endurance and cheerfulness of the average African in times of great physical strain. He will be a real asset to the Empire if he can be guided to work to the best advantage without falling victim to the sweating system and without loss of personal liberty. His personal strength and his readiness to follow those whom he trusts must not be missed; but neither should they be abused.

These three virtues, then, I have claimed for the Africans and no man of experience will contradict me.

Let me now suggest a few warnings:

1. Don't treat Africans as 'pals' at one moment and as 'animals' at another; treat them as human beings whose place in the human family is the nursery and as children who should be respectful to their elders; elders sympathetic, but not 'soft,' with the younger.

2. Don't make them *conscious* that you think them inferior—if you so think. If you make a boy conscious of your contempt, either he will be embittered or he will ape the European, whose praise he desires. And, once he begins to imitate us, he sits loose to his own customs.

Don't call them 'damned niggers.' It hurts.

3. Don't under-rate the African mind. It has possibilities beyond what many think and, if you judge their minds by their slowness to grasp European methods, the Africans will one day surprise you—unpleasantly.

4. Always be just and keep your word. A European who is unjust is of no use out here. Nor is he who deceives the native. Such an one the Africans describe as 'not a gentleman!'

Finally. Believe me that Africans regard you as 'miles and miles' above them. They do not compare themselves with you.

Remember also that they have seen a new side of human nature and that the worst, in the Germans. And don't forget that they have seen much evil in this campaign—in the British Forces.

If, then, any of you desires to do his best for Africa, let him try to observe the warnings given above.

And don't expect more from Africans than from Europeans!

19.2.18. F.Z.

FREDERIC BANCROFT
BOX 94, METROPOLITAN CLUB
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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December 11, 1918.

My dear Mr. DuBois:-

I thank you for your note about your review of Phillips's book. The review was read with much pleasure. Naturally I had hoped that you would damage him much more, for he is very vulnerable; but, all things considered, probably it was best for you to hold the mirror up to him. If you get any extra copies, I shall be very glad to have one.

I have been too busy working on my Domestic Slave-Trade to do or even to think of much else, except, of course, the war. Two or three times I have been about to write a note to Villard and call his attention to some features of Phillips's book, but then I concluded not to, for Villard apparently has more than he can attend to in connection with the new Nation. I had thought that if a review of the book appeared in the Nation I should then write a signed letter about it; but it has not been reviewed there.

Recently in turning the files of the Charleston Courier in 1807 to look for some features of the local trade in imported Africans I ran across a rather interesting series of advertisements. Thinking that they might be of ~~have~~ some interest to you, I put in an extra carbon and inclose a copy herewith, which need not be returned.

Sincerely yours,

Frederic Bancroft

W.E.Burghardt DuBois,Ph.D.,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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Received + added to Dr DuBois's letter. Thanks to check you for the data on African which you kindly enclosed with your letter of Dec 11

[Baltimore AFR-Am]

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BALTIMORE, MD., February 5, 1918. 191

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
70-5th avenue,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

The Afro-American would greatly appreciate a message, etc., to the American Negro, to be published in our issue of February 23rd, which is your 50th birthday.

That and some news matter, we intend using about your great work, will rivet the attention of many on your battles for race rights.

Thanking you in advance and wishing you many more years of activity, I am,

Very truly yours,

Franklin J Johnson

2/14/18

50 Yrs. PJ [BALT. THE AFRO-AMERICAN]

February 6, 1918.

Mr. Franklin P. Johnson,
628 N. Eutaw Street,
Baltimore Maryland.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your interest.

Enclosed is a short article such as you asked for.

Very sincerely yours,

WRBD/GRB.

Enc.

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PHONE, PRESTON 4541

DR. J. MAX BARBER
DENTIST
3223 WOODLAND AVENUE

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PHILADELPHIA, February 23, 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

New York City.

My Dear Dr. DuBois:

I wish to congratulate you upon the occasion of your fiftieth anniversary. It seems to me that I have a right to be counted among your friends. I first became acquainted with you through an article in The Atlantic Monthly. I was then in college at Richmond. From that day you became one of my great men. Since then we have been members of the same club together; I have published numerous articles from your facile pen and numerous editorials about you, and I have gone more than half across the continent to attend the formation of the "Niagara Movement" at your behest. I followed you to Harper's Ferry.

Therefore I am not abashed to call you a friend. Let me say further that I have always admired, not only your profound scholarship, but what is more—I have always admired your clear vision and your unpurchasableness. Your unceasing effort for organized, determined, aggressive action among the leaders and friends of the race is deserving of the finest praise. In organizing the "Niagara Movement" you threw yourself athwart the tide of subserviency that was gripping our people, and as I look back over our progress, I cannot help but admiring you openly while you live. You have been a prophet and a seer to the race, predicting the day of the Negro's renaissance, and already we are realizing an astonishing measure of fulfilment of your program.

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God give you yet long years of service to a people who need you and and hearten you for the fight which is yet to come.

Sincerely Yours,

J. Max Barber

March 2, 1918.

Dr. J. Max Barber,
2332 Woodland Avenue,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Barber:

Thank you very much for your kind words of encouragement and appreciation.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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April 19, 1918.

Mr. J. W. Barco,
Va. Union University,
Richmond, Virginia.

My dear Mr. Barco:

The time has come when Giles Jackson must be exposed for our own safety. He is being used as a tool for getting appropriations at Washington, and it has been with difficulty that we have just kept him from securing an important appointment.

I want to get at the history of his life with the idea eventually of thoroughly exposing it in THE CRISIS. How can this be done? I wish you would advise me.

I am writing Rev. Caffee and Prof. Simpson.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Feb. 20th 1918

My Dear Dr. Dubois,

I have seen you and heard you speak many times. I have read every thing you have written that I have heard of. Your pen speaks with a power and an unforgettable charm that places you with the great spirits of earth. That you do not know me does not matter I beg simply to be permitted to congratulate you on having reached an other birthday. With all my heart I wish you many returns, and as the shadows of years begin to shorten, in the fullness of time may you glide serenely away to the reward promised to the faithful.

Sincerely Yours,

Margaret E. Barnes.
87 E. Vine St.
Oberlin O.

Mrs James D. Barnes

February 28, 1918.

Mrs. James D. Barnes,
87 East Vine Street,
Oberlin, Ohio.

Dear Madam:

I thank you for your congratulations on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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[BARNES]

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Washington, D. C.
February 1st, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois:

Dear Sir:

I have been a constant reader of the "Crisis" for three years, and I can't find words to express my praise for it. It is the only champion of the race before the public today. I am looking to the day when I have completed my studies, to join you in your fight.

You have my congratulations and best wishes on your fiftieth birthday. Twelve million people are behind you in your earnest fight hoping that you may reach another fifty year milestone, and do as much good in the next fifty years as you have done in the past fifty.

Please send me the rates of joining the N.A.A.C.P.

Yours truly,

Clarence Garnett
2117 Fifth Street N.W.

The following also send greetings:

Lafayette A. Ford,
Thomas S. Palmer, M.D.
George C. Adams.
Paul J. Smith
Edgar Whiteman
G. Sylvester Morris.
M. W. Breedlove

John H. Reed.
H. S. Barnes. B.

P. Verbrie Barnes

February 16, 1918.

Mr. R. V. Barnes,
2117 Fifth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I want to thank you and Messrs. Ford, Palmer, Adams, Smith, Whiteman, Davis, Breedlove, and Reed for your good wishes and congratulations.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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BARNES & STOWERS
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
DETROIT, MICH.

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February IIth, 1918.

Hon. W. E. B. DuBois,
New York City.

My dear Friend:-

Permit me to rejoice with you, while standing at the fiftieth mile stone of your eventful carser, in the fact that nothing in its trying experiences has diminished your vision, blighted your faith or robbed you of your hope in the final triumph of justice to all peoples.

May you be spared long to us not alone for what you have been to us but what you may bring to us thru the ripened experience of half a century.

Yours very truly,

Robert L. Barnes

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February 15, 1918.

Mr. Robert C. Barnes,
Chambersof Commerce,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind words of February 11.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

[BARRELL]

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NEW YORK, MAR 8 1918 191

M Dr W. E. B. Du Bois,
70-5th Av, City
Dear Sir.—

Mrs Alexina Carter Barrell has registered in this department for a position as Companion-Secretary, and gives your name as reference.

Full information regarding applicants is appreciated as an aid to efficient service to both employers and employees. Such information is confidential between the department and the employer, and is under no condition given to the applicant.

MILDRED COOK
Secretary

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Was she employed by you ..... In what capacity .....
When and for how long ..... Salary .....
Reasons for leaving .....
Did you find her thoroughly trustworthy .....
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Can you recommend her for the position for which she has applied .....

Remarks:—

..... 191 (Signed) .....

[BARRELL]

March 11, 1918.

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Central Branch of the Employment
Department of the Y. W. C. A.,
610 Lexington Avenue,
New York City.

Mesdames:

Mrs. Alexira Carter Barrell has acted as lecture agent for me during the last ten years and has given perfect satisfaction. I believe her a capable and efficient executive and thoroughly trustworthy.

Very sincerely yours,

WEED/GRB.

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33 Rock St.,
Atlanta, Ga.,
Feb. 20, 1918.

Dr. W.E.B.DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

'Tis a great honor conferred upon me to have the opportunity and pleasure to address you at this time on your fiftieth birthday. The fact that I was thrown into personal contact with you from time to time when you were here at Atlanta University gives me a peculiar interest as I write these lines.

As I glance back over the years that have passed away into oblivion - those years when you were here living with us and among us- we, foolish creatures that we were, did not appreciate your life, could not appreciate it because we could not understand at that time what a true and great life as yours really existed among us. But now 'tis so different. Your separation from us for eight years has taught us all a lesson of appreciation for good and great things in life such as your being among us really was.

The Crisis, the greatest Negro magazine ever published has carried the name DuBois to all parts of the world and 'tis just now after so many years of false leadership among Negro folk that the American Negro can really appreciate and dearly love a real leader and champion of Negro rights in you our own dear DuBois. The great progress of intelligence, integrity and efficiency that has been made in the Negro Race in the last twenty-five years without a doubt had its origin in that great institution - your mind and your soul. At the time of your birth such remarkable and unprecedented progress which has been made by the Negro and which astounds the world was truly inconceivable.

You have fought hard and faithfully to prove to the world that you were on the right track in all that you have taught and advocated for the Negro Race. We all see it now and every Negro in America who has a spark of manhood and race pride in his body will I am sure extend to you his most sincere congratulations on this your fiftieth birthday and also extend to you his heartiest best wishes for another half century of happiness and prosperity.

I must ask your pardon for writing so much when you only asked for a line from each of your friends but knowing you personally as I do, I could not stop short of all that I have said.

Dr. DuBois, I offer to you the greatest of thanks from the depths of my very soul for all that the Negro has attained under your wise and fearless leadership and I pray to God that He may spare your life for many more years of the service that you love and enjoy, happiness and prosperity and that your tireless efforts will be rewarded with results that please you. I hope to remain always,

Sincerely yours,

William L. Bell

2/14/40

March 5, 1918.

Mr. William L. Bell,
33 Rock Street,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your words of appreciation.

Very sincerely yours,

WRBD/CRE.

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S. W. BENSON,
Muncie,
Delaware Co. Ia.

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619 Broadway

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Dr W. E. B. Du Bois
New York City
N. Y. - Dear Sir -

Owing to the near approach of Your (50th) Fiftieth Anniversary, and a real chance to address You, I take this opportunity to inform You that (as a real man (a Big one put up in Small statute), the Race may be proud to claim You as their leader, I might have made a man of myself could I but have met You face to face real early in life; but what might yet be attempted could only meet failure unless, the peoples awaken and prevent this mad flame that is consuming & destroying all mankind, I hope there are many more years yours even unto another fifty that You might attain a greater & greater height, I am Yours in common Brotherhood

S. W. Benson

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DR. CHARLES E. BENTLEY
1909 MARSHALL FIELD ANNEX BLDG.
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February 7, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

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My dear DuBois:

From the dawn of the Niagara Movement to the present day, I have followed your lead because I believed in your theories, (which have since become a philosophy), and in you. In that time, in every crisis, you have rung true and justified my faith.

May the blessings that come, by reason of the devotion to principles, be yours in this celebration of your Fiftieth Anniversary is the sincere wish of

Faithfully Yours
C. E. Bentley.

February 14, 1918.

Dr. Charles F. Bentley,
1909 Marshall Field Annex Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Bentley:

I thank you very much for your kind words.

My best regards to you and Mrs. Bentley.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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CHARLES E BENTLEY.

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DR E B DUBOIS

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HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS FROM BETHEL LITERARY AND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION ON THIS YOUR FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY MAY YOUR LIFE BE LONG AND YOUR VALUABLE LABORS FOR MANHOOD RIGHTS REACH AN EARLY FRUITION IN WORLD DEMOCRACY

A S PINKETT PRESIDENT.

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March 8, 1918.

Mr. A. S. Pinkett,
1810 Fourth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Pinkett:

I thank the Bethel Literary and Historical Association for its kind congratulations and encouragement on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

E. S. BEOKU BETTS,
(Barrister-at-Law,)
SOLICITOR.

BEOKU CHAMBERS,
8 House ~~WILBERFORCE~~ STREET,
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Professor W. E. B. Dubois

Dear Sir | Your letter of the 10th Nov: 1917 was forwarded to me by Mr Duse Mohamed, as I had since returned home. I have been trying to get into Communication with You, but unfortunately on one occasion the letter was lost through enemy action. I am sorry that You have attributed a wrong intention to the fact that the quotations and references in your book were not mentioned.

The article was originally ~~[illegible]~~ delivered as an address, and was published as such by the Editor of the African Times and Orient Review. The manuscript which I submitted to him had credit attached to your book for the quotations and references, and the omission was his and not mine.

Anyway I am writing a short note acknowledging my indebtedness to your book for the quotations made in my address.

I will be much obliged if You would find it convenient to keep Correspondence with me, as our aims are Similar.

Yours Sincerely

R S Brown Esq

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Feb. 21st, 1918.

Dr. W.E.B.DuBois,

70 Fifth Ave.,

New York City.

My dear Sir:

Please accept from the faculty and students of Biddle University hearty congratulations and best wishes on this your fiftieth birthday. We thank God for your great contribution to the good of our people. May you be spared many more years of service, and may you have strength and joy for the coming days.

Respectfully,

H. L. McCorkey, President.

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EDITOR OF THE CRISIS 70 FIFTH AVE NEW YORK

DEAR SIR WE THE MEMBERS OF THE MATTOON AND CLARIOSOPHIC LITERARY SOCIETIES OF BIDDLE UNIVERSITY IN JOINT MEETING ASSEMBLED DEEMED IT EXPEDIENT TO SEND THIS GREETING WHICH IS INDICATIVE OF OUR DEEP APPRECIATION OF THE UNTIRING SERVICES THAT YOU HAVE AND ARE STILL RENDERING OUR RACE AND COUNTRY THIS EXPRESSION OF OUR FELICITATION IS NOT ALTOGETHER DERIVED FROM THE PRESENT OCCASION BUT FROM A DEEP CONVICTION THAT YOU ARE BY FAR DESERVING OF MORE LAURELS THAN OUR POSITION WARRANTS TO OFFER

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February 28, 1918.

Mr. H. L. McCrorey,
Biddle University,
Charlotte, N. C.

My dear Mr. McCrorey:

I thank the faculty and students of Biddle University for their congratulations and best wishes on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRP

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March 8, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois wishes to extend to the members of the Mattoon and Clariosophic Literary Societies of Biddle University his very deep appreciation of their kind words in their telegram on his birthday.

Mr. S. O. Johnson,
Biddle University,
Charlotte, N. C.

D R; W.E.B. DUBOIS
THIS COMES HOPEING YOU WILL LIVE TO BE A CENTINARION, A PATRIOT
A HERO WHO FAUGHT FOR A CAUSE AND WON,
BLACK SAMPSON. 609 EAST ARCHIE ST
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PATRIOTISM

Poems by the Century Poet

ACCLAMATIONS FOR CELEBRATIONS

Prepare to Meet Thy God
Prepare to Die for Thy Country

Why Would the Negro Fight the Imperial German Government?

LOYALTY

The French will fight for
France,
The Japs for Japan;
All nations will fight for
the Stars and Stripes
With the loyal colored man

*Under the flag that
made thee free
Is hope for a true
Democracy.*

BLACK SAMPSON

Should Autocracy Govern Democracy?

Here Are the Guns==Over to France We Go!

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ALL THE NEGRO ASKS IS A SQUARE DEAL

Should we wait for German militarism to reach our shores? The Germans, the people who formulated the conspiracy with the European autocratic imperial governments, succeeding in capturing the Kingdom of Ethiopia at night, and halting civilization on the borders of Africa; the people who devastated the autocratic imperial Belgian government, after succeeding in driving the Belgians from their homes and the king of Belgium from his throne, have marched millions into bondage. The Belgians are the people who butchered and murdered black people in the Congo, during the reign of Leopold, king of Belgium, subjecting them to cruelties and barbarity that shook the portals of civilization.

Should Autocracy Govern Democracy

If Germany wins the war
In America no man will be free,
Our civilization would cease to be
Should autocracy govern democracy?
The greatest patriot has said no!
Rise men, rise; here are the guns,
Over to France we go.

Rise men, rise, here are the guns
For thy birthright fight;
Teach Germans the meaning of Democracy in war
With our thousands of heroes united,
Free the bold traitors from autocracy to law.

Rise men, rise, here are the guns
For thy birthright fight;
Fight men, fight, "Fight you must
For what do you learn to fight? Democracy!"
Die men, die, die you must
For what do you learn to die? Democracy!

Rise men, rise, here are the guns
For thy birthright fight;
Teach Germans the meaning of Democracy in war.
The French will fight for France;
The Japs for Japan.
All nations will fight for the Stars and Stripes
With the loyal colored man.

The Sacrifice
Booker T. Washington
Buried in the Stars and Stripes

To the world the message was flashed
From the school where he was head,
"The world's Educator,
Washington, is dead."

He relapsed in New York City,
Where he had won great fame,
And hurried to Tuskegee
On a special train.

Then came death,
That grim monster who looks in your face
And graples you quickly at no certain place;
His giant-like strength forces you down,
While he stares in your face with his goblin-like frown.

His cold, stinging touch shortens the breath
And smothers his victims until life has left,
Paralyzing the body and freezing the bone—
Left Washington cold when breath was gone.

Tuskegee was bedecked in crepe,
The Institution he was head—
The world's Educator,
Washington, was dead.

His commission filled where he lay,
Monuments around his head;
Deep in a casket of plush and gold
Lay good old Booker dead.

Over his casket flowers were heaped,
But withered as they lay
Like people in the bloom of life
Suddenly called away.

His family wept at his head,
His race wept at his feet;
Deep in a casket of plush and gold
Lay Washington asleep.
A cross lay near his arms,
His hands on his breast;
Deep in a casket of plush and gold
Lay Washington at rest.

A crown lay near his head,
Old Glory over his breast;
Deep in a casket of plush and gold
Booker T. Washington was laid to rest.

Valuation
Chief Alfred Sam

A minister said as he stood on the street,
When a member of his church rushed by,
"Dear brother, you should take time to speak,
For we must all take time to die."

"Why, pardon me," his member said,
"I am selling my real estate,
The black man's rights in this country is dead,
So I have decided to Emigrate."

"If you would take my advice,
You would never sell your land,
But defend your home, wife and life,
And be a braver man."

"Reverend, you is a book-learned man;
You have read from a to z,
But in the United States I wants no land,
I am bound for Afrikee."

"Emigrate wherever you please,
The law cannot prevent,
But if you sail away with Chief Alfred Sam,
You will regret the day you went."

"Brother, contend for your rights in the United States
With the loyal sons of Ham;
To emigrate would mean to retrograde
A sacrifice for Chief Alfred Sam."

Compulsory
Carry Thy Own Fireworks

To prepare to meet thy God;
Lay thy race prejudice aside,
Down in the grave go we must,
Down in France go we must,
Carrying our own fireworks.

Pat and O'Connor one day in May,
Were coming to America, cheerful and gay;
O'Connor became seasick and died on the way,
So preparations were made for his burial at sea.
The leaden weights for burials had been lost;

The captain said he must be buried at any cost.
They searched for weights but could find no trace,
So lumps of coal were substituted in their place.

When the remains were prepared for their last sad rites
And just before they were lowered out of sight
Pat arose and said, "O'Connor, my friend, I solemnly swear,
I know we both had to go down there,
But I am doomed if I had ever been told
They made you bring your own fire coal."

This Will Be Distributed for the Advancement of the Colored Race

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[Enclosure from BLACK SAMPSON, c. 1918]

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Poems by the Century Poet

ACCLAMATIONS FOR CELEBRATIONS

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BLACK SAMPSON

ALL THE NEGRO ASKS IS A SQUARE DEAL

Why Civilization Has Halted on the Borders of Africa—The Negro in the European War

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Procrastination of the autocratic imperial German Government to erect institutions for the elevation of Africans, natives of East Africa—known as "German East Africa"—after the German Government had feloniously relieved them of their fertile lands and invaluable mines, restricting them to walk in the streets and to live not in the city limits,' the encouragement of the importation of intoxicants for a benighted people and subjecting them to the cruellest treatment for petty offenses, almost equal to the barbaric punishment administered to the Africans in the Congo by the Belgian people during the reign of Leopold, King of Belgium—that is why for centuries civilization has halted on the borders of Africa, fettered by autocratic imperial governments; that is why the United States Negro would storm and sweep Germany with shot and shell like the hurricane in a black cloud sweeps the great Atlantic. At the beginning of the European war, the imperial German Government not being in a position to transport Africans for service in the German army, protested that the colored race be not permitted to fight in Europe; that the colored race would dominate the white race. That France and England were mobilizing Negroes for service and many a black heel will be turned to the sun. The natives, a brave and loyal people, disgusted with German imperialism, were refused service in South Africa, walked to Europe to fight. The West Africans fought in South Africa. They needed but little training to win their battles and rent the German ranks with great disaster and rout, driving them from East Africa. The Germans after devastating Belgium invaded over seven hundred square miles of French territory. Victorious over the French and British troops in each encounter on land, in the sky and beneath the sea was a demonstration of the superiority of German militarism at the beginning of the world's greatest war. In possession of Verdun, entrenched and commanding the heights, Prince Eitel Frederic, the favorite son of the king commander of the German foot guards on the right wing, watched for the signal to storm Paris from below and above, while the huge guns of Austria and Germany spoke in the doors of Paris, while monuments, palaces and historic cathedrals were rent by explosive projectiles hurled from Zeppelins above them. Prince Eitel Frederic in command of the German foot guards was reported dead in battle from fright in an encounter with Negro troops September, 1914, discovered later the Prince had fainted. The German troops defeated, retreated in great disorder, a rout that demonstrated the superiority of the Negro soldier and that democracy shall not perish.

WANTED-- 12,000,000 Race Men and Women to join the U. B. F. & S. M. T. Organiztions, the Great National Distributing League for the Advancement of the Colored People, the National Association for the Advancement of the Colored People and the Negro American Alliance.

The Charge to Black Soldiers by the French Commander

"Soldiers of France, the world's truest democracy,
Your battle will decide if France shall perish.
Vive la Democracy! Vive la Democracy!
Death to autocracy!

"Strike the German right wing—
You must save the pride of France
Repel, repel the troops of the king,
Vive la France! Vive la France!
Charge Bayonet! Charge the enemy! Charge!

Then down charged the Black cavalry
Followed by the Black Brigade,
They eclipsed the world with their chivalry
By the great charge they made,

For more than a thousand leagues over dale and field
Rained bursting shot and shell.
Black soldiers rode with nerves of steel
While foe and comrade fell;

And I spied them, rapidly firing as they rode half bent
Dashing past their message of death
Straight to the German ranks they went
Until they felt their horses breath;

Then, thrusting their bayonets and lancets they led,
Around them shrapnel fell.
Many a German lay far from his head
That fought once so brave and well.

The brave brigade, blown from beneath by German mines,
Black heroes rushed in great haste
To fill the gaps rent in their lines
Fighting Germans face to face.

Many fell, dispatched by bombs from a trench
That blighted all ties of love,
They fought, 'they fought inch by inch'
While aviators watched from above.

Still, tearing flesh with guns asunder,
They forced the Germans to a clinch.
Hark! the artillery thundered,
While they charged from trench to trench.

The Black Soldiers won their battle the day
When German foot guards fled.
Remember, men, remember!
The great charge they led.

France then flashed the news from land to land
Of her dusky warriors' terrific fight,
Their bloody lancet charges hand to hand
Caused the German prince to die from fright.
(The prince had fainted).

MARCHING OUT GODS OF HELL

San Juan. *San Warn Hill*

July the Fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight
The Rough Riders fell,
Excited at the guns of hell—
Was there a reason why
Brave men should fear to die
On the Fourth Day of July?

There was their rivalry,
The Ninth and Tenth cavalry.
Think of their chivalry,
Honor their bravery,
Fearing not their lives to sell,
Dashing to the gods of hell.
What was their fate to be?
Only wait and see.
Was there a reason why
Brave men should fear to die
On the Fourth Day of July?
All the world listened still
When they stormed San Warn hill.

The Ninth and Tenth cavalry—
Think of their chivalry,
Honor their bravery;
They spied their way was shut
By barriers they quickly cut,
On and on they rode and fell
Through a rain of shot and shell,
Spitting through the doors of hell.
Was there a reason why
Brave men should fear to die
On the Fourth Day of July?
All the world listened still
When they stormed San Warn hill.

The Ninth and Tenth cavalry—
Think of their chivalry,
Honor their bravery;
Dashing by the barriers they broke,
Gazing through a cloud of smoke
While rifle and canon spoke;
On and on they rode and yelled,
Fearing not their lives to sell,
Dashing to the gods of hell.
Was there a reason why
Brave men should fear to die
On the Fourth Day of July?
All the world listened still
When they stormed San Warn hill.

The rough riders had blundered—
Spanish guns thundered,
Man o' wars lumbered,
All the world wondered
What their fate would be—
Only wait and see.
The Spanish fort ceased to roar;
And guns of death were heard no more.
What was her fate to be?
Only wait and see.
Black Soldiers were coming still,
Dashing, yelling up the hill.
Was there a reason why
Brave men should fear to die
On the Fourth Day of July ?
All the world listened still
When they stormed San Warn hill.

They heard the clatter of horses' feet,
They heard the brave Black Soldiers speak,
They heard the signal of a buglar's call,
Excited they stood, backs to the wall,
Their flag was lowered in their face,
The Stars and Stripes raised in its place.
The Black Soldiers come true as night,
Afraid not to die or fight;
They gazed around at them that fell,
While marching out the gods of hell.

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8/25

March 7, 1918.

Mr. Black Sampson,
609 E. Archie Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

My dear Sir:

Thank you for your kind words received February 26.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

FEB 8 1918

St. Agnes Hospital,
Raleigh, North Carolina.
February fifth,
Nineteen eighteen.

Dr. W. E. Burghardt DuBois,
Care of the "Crisis",
70 Fifth Avenue, New York.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

I have just read your "The Shadow of Years", and hasten in my humble way to assure you of the great inspiration it is to me, and to thousands of other loyal persons of the Race. I have a great batch of clippings, and shall place the "Shadow of Years" along with these. You have made yourself a benefactor to the Race by writing this autobiography, and it is destined to live.

Although I am a little early, may I express to you my sincere congratulations on the event of your approaching birthday? You are engaged in a righteous war, and already victory is in sight.

As a slight appreciation to you and your work, and subscribing for the "Crisis"

and have turned over my subscription to Prof. R. B. Jefferson, St. Augustine's School, who was one of your "boys" at Atlanta University, and who has been doing a magnificient work at St. Augustine's ever since his graduation seven or eight years ago.

With renewed best wishes, and many years of usefulness, believe me

Very sincerely yours,

Edson E. Blackman M.D.

February 9, 1918.

Dr. Edson E. Blackman,
c/o St. Agnes Hospital,
Raleigh, N. C.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your letter of February 5.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

MEMORANDUM TO THE SECRETARY AND DIRECTOR OF THE MUSIC SCHOOL SETTLEMENT CONCERNING THE MATTER OF BOOK-KEEPING.

1. I suggest that a letter be sent to the

Saturday January 26th 1918

JAN 31 1918

W E B Du Bois

Being a Subscriber for The Crisis I received your invitation in the February issue "to have a word from Each of his friends" and I am glad to count myself among that large number I believe) I made your acquaintance at a Banquet Meet Lunch at Rochester Ny when my friend Isaac Adler introduced you I Enquired about you and finding you now the Editor of a paper subscribed for the same bought your "Life of John Brown" having previously read your "Souls of Black Folk" and became a Member of the N.A.A.C.P. so you see what you have done for me in giving me pleasure and the consciousness of aiding with my Mite of money, and Mite of influence, your great, necessary and Christian work, benefiting both Whites and Blacks. I read in other Months since your Shadow of Years and rejoice with you in your great success all of us, few of us attain such a realization of their wishes. I send my congratulations to you as I might not be here Feby 23d 1918 being much your senior in years. I cannot say in conclusion that I wish you many more happy birthdays. but I will say that I wish you many more years as useful as the ones you have lived for the sake of us all.

Truly Yours
J J Flournoy

334 Oxford St
Rochester N.Y.

2/14/45

February 2, 1918.

Mr. J. B. Bloss,
3340 Oxford Street,
Rochester, New York.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate your kind letter of January 27.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

All communications should be addressed to "Civilian Personnel Division, Office of the Chief of Ordnance, U. S. Army, 1333 F Street NW., Washington, D. C."

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Wash., D. C.,
Feb. 15, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 - Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:-

On the semi-centenary of your birth I feel honored in congratulating you on your most remarkable career. Since I have become acquainted with your sane teachings and unique leadership I have been a staunch believer in all you advocate.

I wish for you a long life and a continuance

of the great work you
are doing for the race.

Yours respectfully,

L. E. Blucker

February 19, 1918.

Mr. C. E. Stucker,
1416 Eleventh St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words of February 15.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Helen Boardman [BOARDMAN, INCOMPLETE]

Base Hospital No. 6
A. E. F. France
May 5, 1918
(Sunday)

My dear Elizabeth:-

Here I am again loafing in bed with an antrum & I am attending to my correspondence which was in arrears. I think I wrote you about my vacation (one week) in Biarritz where I had a lovely but too short rest. That sounds as if I had been working too hard which isn't true. My work over there hasn't been really as hard as at home but I've had a head cold all winter and it is wearing especially when one never has any real quiet or privacy which is impossible living in wards as we do.

We have changed Commanding Officers as Major Washburn has

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been ordered to England to build another group of hospitals. I had hoped if he was ordered away the Unit would go with him but it is the unexpected that happens. I have not been on duty since the new man took office which is unfortunate for me.

I wish I could tell you about our work but I am not allowed to go into particulars. I do think I may quote from a newspaper interview that Major W. gave to the N.Y. Herald of Paris that our hosp. has an authorized Capacity of 2500 beds. Construction is not yet finished on all the new buildings but we have now 3 or 4 times as many pts. as we had at the M.S.H. & they come from the various camps in this section - from other hospitals & some from the front - both French & americans. We have a great variety of cases too. It is not a convalescent hosp. as stated in an article appearing in the Literary Digest.

We have had our tragic happenings but I can't write about them.

I don't like to think about the discouraging features of the war from the Allies point of view & one can't afford to do so. I think everything depends on keeping up good courage and expecting to win. It is almost impossible to do that when one reads the criticisms of the conduct of the war & thinks of all the advantages gained by the Boches.

Have you read Lawrence's "Land of Heavening Shadow" by an Amer: war correspondent? I found it interesting & on the whole encouraging.

Did I tell you that there are a lot of Amer. negroes over here? I think I have some things to tell Miss Covington when I go back.

I have thus far been very proud of our Negro blacks. We have had a lot of them as pts. & altho' they are very ignorant - few can read or write - they are as a rule respectful, obedient and industrious. They are like children and it seems rather cruel to me to send them into the trenches. Their officers with whom I have talked say they lie & steal without much idea that it is wrong & at first

when they came over in cold weather they would try to fake illnesses to get into hospital.

They are said however not to give any more trouble to their officers than the whites & to be very good workers on the docks & other construction when they have been taught. They are considered superior to the chinese & other kinds of laborers that they have be able to employ. They have helped to earn a lot of money for the french charities because they sing, dance & play at almost every benefit that comes along & there is some very good talent among them.

They do use their razors still when they are mad or drunk.

They are a great contrast to the Senegalese who come

from the french provinces & who really look cleverer than our blacks.

Unfortunately there is a very low class of white women who will go with the negroes and will marry them.

Southerners over here are apprehensive that this is going to make lots of trouble when they go home again.

Sometime ago a delirious black slashed a nurse with a razor & escaped from the hospital while every one was occupied with the nurse!

It would make your blood run cold to hear how readily not only the Southerners but others took up the cry "string him up"!

I wish there was some work I could do when I go back in behalf of the colored people - I feel more & more what a blot it is on our vaunted christianity & democracy, the way we treat colored people.

To change the subject I wish you could see my flowers with the sun shining over them - a large pot of lovely forget-me-not with a pinkish-blue anemone in the centre; a bunch of dainty, starry white flowers etched with lines of pale green & then a typical french bouquet of purple & gold - first drooping lavender wisteria, then rich purple flower-de-lis about a centre of butter cups or "buttons of gold" with a few rose pink daisies among them. Wearing the flowers and birds more than I can pay - & still have a box of your crackers & fruit

being on the ward & have particularly enjoyed them with my soups & salads & have shared them with another sick nurse. (6)

& hope Mrs. Arrington is better, and do tell me what Miss O's book is about.

Did you see the "diables bleus francais" when they were in N.Y.? The description of their reception in our French papers was very thrilling. 2/13/18

The French soldiers are truly wonderful - we have some as pts. And they are, they are truly patriotic & anxious to get back to the front - brave and merry & pleased with everything. Well, & must it [illegible] more this time hope you & yours are well - try not to worry - many thanks for your letter & clippings.

Rec'd W. E. B. Du Bois 584 yrs

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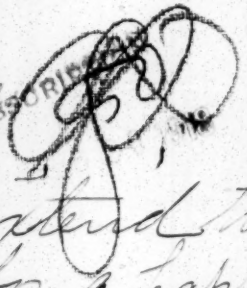
Cincinnati Ohio
Feb. 18th 1918

The Editor of the Crisis.—

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois



Kind Sir

I may I extend to you my best wishes for a Yakey birthday and trust Your dear Lord Spare You to see fifty two. We need like you many greatly needed in our Race.

I am sending you a few subscribers for The Crisis $1" dollar.

Mr. Nathan Woodard
779 Summit Ave.
Fairmount Janitor

Again wishing you a

Kaper Birthday and may the
Lord bless you and your dear
Sincerely and Affectionately
Chas E. Boiler
A Subscriber.
157 Kaiser Ave. P. H.

February 26, 1918.

Mr. Charles E. Boden,
757 Chateau Avenue, P. H.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind words in your letter of February 18, also for the subscription.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

BIRTHDAY GREETING!

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
New York City.

From

The Book Lovers Club.
of
Springfield Mass.

May each new Birthday,
Brighter than the last,
Lead to new ventures,
Happier than the past;
May all the hopes,
From friends to-day
Be as bright flowers,
Along the way

A.L.

[Book Lovers Club]

66 Pecousic Ave.
Springfield Mass.
Feb. 21, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

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Honored sir:— Please accept this card of greeting, on this your birthday anniversary, with the best wishes of the ladies of the Book Lovers Club.

Yours sincerely
Jean L. Gordon Pres.
Ethel R. Ballard Sec.

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[BOOK LOVERS' CLUB]

February 28, 1918.

Miss Jean D. Gordon,
66 Pecousic Avenue,
Springfield, Mass.

Dear Madam:

I thank the ladies of the Book Lovers' Club for their kind remembrance on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois, Editor,
The Crisis,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

While I have always been a practical and conservative business man, and one of the charter members of the National Negro Business League, I have all along entertained the highest regard for your position and utterances in behalf of our race, and I regret to notice at this particular time your change of attitude coupled with the probability of the loss of your services as editor of the Crisis.

Yours truly,

Eugene P. Booze

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

The Crisis,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

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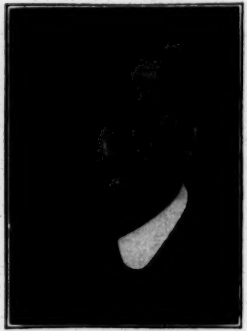
[Bordwell]



Walter Bordwell
REPUBLICAN
For Governor

Los Angeles, Cal.,
August 20, 1918.

Dear Friend:

I earnestly commend to your support Judge Walter Bordwell for Governor.

He would make a strong, fearless and capable executive. He could be depended upon to enforce strictest economy in our State affairs.

Sincerely,

24 BROAD STREET

Mr. Charles A. Boston regrets that he will be unable to attend the dinner given on the occasion of the Fiftieth Birthday Anniversary of William E. Burghardt De Bois.

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Gammon Theological Seminary

J. W. E. BOWEN, Ph.D., LL. D.
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Atlanta, Ga. Aug. 8th 1918

Doctor W E B DuBois
New York City,

My dear Doctor DuBois:

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Hold your ground; don't surrender; your principles are right; get on the inside and you will able to continue the struggle for right. The Government needs you and we need you where in the place you can serve best and that is in the next post of duty.

As some of us are on the inside of the great Methodist Episcopal Church fighting for the race in the face of unthinking race attacks, so you must get into favor with Uncle Sam by unflinched loyalty and service and serve the race in a large way for serving the Nation. This honor will cost you something, but hold fast.

I congratulate you, the race and the Nation.

I thank you for the Notice of Grace on the Cross

Yours sincerely
J. W. E. Bowen

August 14, 1918.

Dr. J. W. E. Bowen,
Gammon Theological Seminary,
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind words. The necessity for making a decision in the matter has been postponed for the present but I value your advice.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Many congratulations
to Dr. W. E. B. DuBois on
the 50th anniversary All
honor and praise to you
for the manly stands
you take for manhood
rights, you and the
Crisis advocates your and
the Crisis policies is the only
policies worth while any
and all other is worthless
and dangerous yours
is the only stands and
the only policy that

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Every Negro can Stand
for and we can truth
fully say that you are
the right man in the
right place and if it
pleased the Almighty
God to spare you 50 years
more we would vote
you to stay the Editor
of the Crisis many
many more happy
years of usefulness
and Good health
to

For William Edward
Burkhardt Du Bois.
Sincerely yours
J. A. Boyden.
Morristown N J
address R. D. 2. Whippany
February 23d 1918 NJ

February 27, 1918.

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Mr. J. A. Boyden,
R. D. 2,
Whippany, N. J.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind congratulations of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WKBD/GRB.

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May 21, 1918.

Dr. Du Bois
70 - Fifth Avenue
New York City.

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My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Mrs. Henrietta B. Cachemaille of New York City has written to us in regard to service under the War Work Council of the National Board of the Young Womens Christian Association.

This is a time when we are in need of superior women, not women who are looking for a job or a position, but women who can stand the test at this time and help us in this new work. We are asking you to express yourself freely upon the questions on the reverse side of this sheet realizing that it is more friendly to be frank than to throw off or mislead. This bureau is confidential as our future leadership is at stake and we must have only those who can measure up and become real leaders under the stress of these varied and changing conditions to which they will be able to adjust themselves with sacrifice and patience.

Very sincerely yours,

Eva D. Bowles
(K)

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1. How long have you known the applicant, and under what circumstances?

2. Has she executive ability?

3. What abilities has she which especially fit her for this work?

4. Has she any characteristics which (might stand) (have stood) in the way of her success?

5. Would she work well with other people?

6. Would she be in sympathy with the fundamental spiritual basis of our work?

7. Is she attractive in personal appearance and in manner?

8. Will you give any additional information not covered by these questions?

June 14, 1918.

Miss Eva D. Bowles,
600 Lexington Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Miss Bowles:

I do not believe that I know Mrs. Henrietta B. Cachemaille. I did know a lady of a name something like that in Syracuse. Is this the same one? I am refering to your letter of May 21.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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November 18, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Thank you for your letter and the invitation to do my bit toward helping the American Negro in the Great War. I shall do what I can, from the women's viewpoint especially.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Eva D. Bowles.

Eva D. Bowles,
Executive, Colored Work.

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Mr. W. E. Boie

Atlo a little prevalence I am sending my congratulations on your attaining your fiftieth anniversary. I know you have made the best opportunities and go on and on and surmount every obstacle. I admire your magazine for its cleanness. Join also and pride in our race. I too am a newspaper man but writing only for the white newspapers also I am a strong race

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race now. but - I am working & waiting for papers edited by my own race. I am personally acquainted with R. L. Abbott of the Chicago Defender. but - we are all one now in this great American cause. regardless of race, color or creed. I being especially as the blood of Africa England and Ireland flows in my veins I am practically a young man but - I hope to fight - for me and myself a place in the world This war is making a way slowly and gradually for us

2/12/1918

A.P.U. American. I am fighting the caucasian with the pen which is sometimes mightier than the sword making you many more visits and success in your journey through life I Remain. Truly Yours

Frank A. Bradley

Marcellus

Mich

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February 14, 1918.

Mr. Frank A. Bradley,
Marcellus, Michigan.

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My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words in your letter of February 7.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

GEORGE G. BRADFORD,
50 STATE STREET.

JUL 17 1918

BOSTON, MASS., July 13 1918

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My Dear Du Bois

Thanks for your prompt reply to my note.

In regard to advice on the delicate problem you are up against, it is difficult to give specific advice at long range. But this much that came to my attention may help. A very able man had volunteered his services to the Government & had gone to France & when he was tendered as a volunteer citizen Services of the highest value. The Government offered him a high commission with rank & salary &c. He declined it because he could render a more effective service as a private citizen. That was my advice. If he accepted a commission he would be under orders - would be bound by official etiquette & red-tape - and could not act on his own initiative & criticize his superior officers. As a private citizen he could act more fully & more effectively.

It would be my judgment that if you accepted a Government Commission your hands

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GEORGE G. BRADFORD,
50 STATE STREET.

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would be tied, furthermore you would lose your influence in the community. The law in Washington illustrates that. As a private citizen patriotically volunteering your services to the Society — using your great financial — using your great influence with your associates for sustaining the National Council you can render the highest service. That would be my judgment on general principles —

This war has got to be wagged by volunteer men & women who voluntarily come forward & put their Special talents at the Service of Civilization. The immediate problem before us is that of inspiring our twelve million fellow colored citizens with that volunteer Spirit — A peculiarly difficult Task for it has got to be accomplished in Spite of the indifference or opposition of the National Authorities.

I presumably believe that you could do more to overcome that opposition as well as to inspire that volunteer Spirit in your present position than in Government employ what I may be mistaken

Sincerely,
Geo. G. Bradford

July 18, 1918.

Mr. George G. Bradford,
50 State Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Sir:

Dr. DuBois is now away from the office on his vacation to be gone until the latter part of August, but I have sent him a copy of your letter of July 13, and beg to thank you for your interest.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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JOHN HOPE, PRESIDENT
BENJAMIN BRAWLEY, DEAN

MOREHOUSE COLLEGE
UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE AMERICAN
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ATLANTA, GA. Nov. 16, 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

New York, N. Y.

My Dear Dr. DuBois:--

I have just received your favor with reference to the record of our troops in the war. You know how much I am interested in any such thing as this. I feel that I want to tell you at once to count on me. One or two things suggest themselves, however, before I commit myself finally. I have been working at rather high pressure for the last two years and am pretty well loaded with tasks and projects that will take at least the next two years. I am accordingly forced to study the amount of time at my disposal; and if I should wish to serve to advantage, it would be well for me to know as definitely as possible beforehand what was being undertaken. Moreover my responsibilities are increasing so fast these days that I have to look a little to the business side of things. You can understand, I think. Can you tell me with as much definiteness as is possible at this stage just how large a work you have in mind, just what is the sort of thing that you would like to have me do, and give an approximate idea of what would be the remuneration for the same?

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Sincerely yours,

Benjamin Brawley

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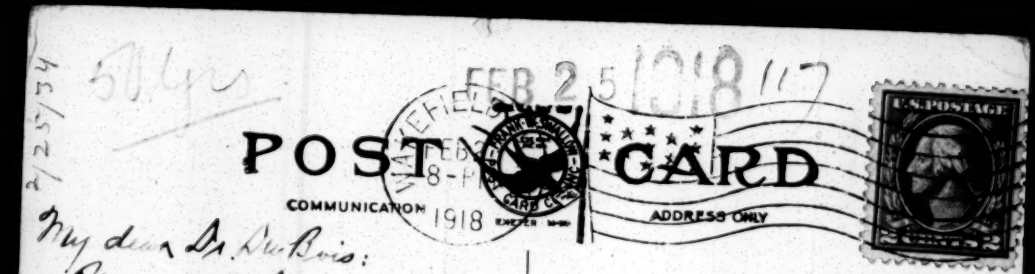

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My dear Dr. DuBois:
Pleased to be able to send you my congratulations and sincerely wish you many happy returns of the day, your birthday.

George W. Braxton
Wakefield, Mass, Feb. 23, '18

Dr. Wm. E. B. DuBois,
#70 Fifth Ave.,
New York,
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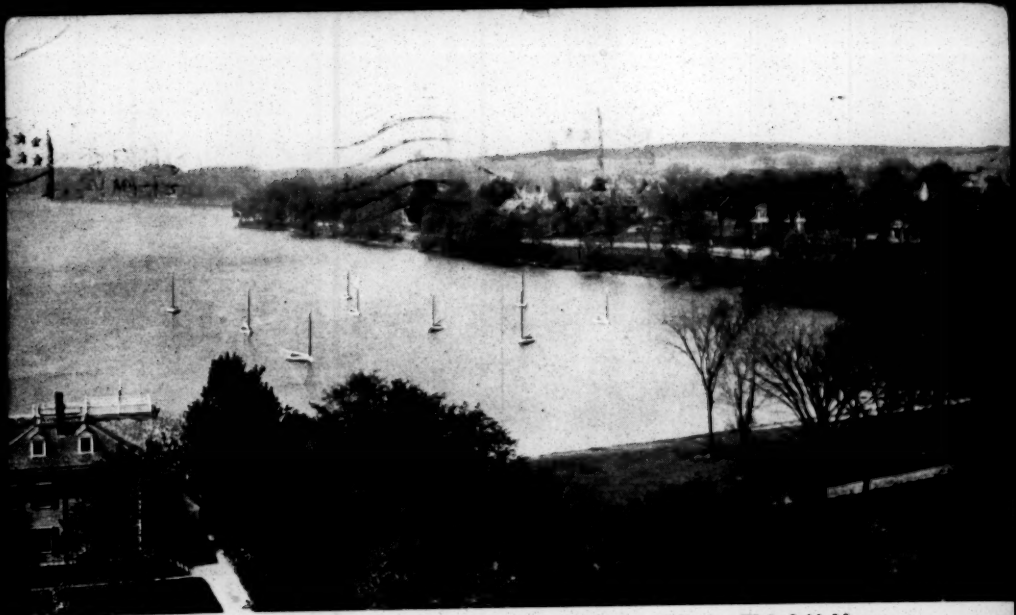

A Glimpse of Quannapowitt from the Congregational Church Tower, Wakefield, Mass.

CHICAGO SCHOOL OF CIVICS AND PHILANTHROPY
2559 MICHIGAN AVENUE

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February 9, 1918.

My dear Mr. DuBois:-

May I be one of those who express to you their profound gratitude that you have been enabled to deliver so clear and compelling a message to the American people, in fact to the civilized world.

You have of course known for many years of my admiration and gratitude. I welcome this opportunity of expressing to you my hope that you may be given years in which to make known the truth and right to your generation.

Faithfully yours,

S. P. Breckinridge

W. E. B. DuBois, Esq.
The Crisis,
70 Fifth Avenue.
New York City.

February 15, 1918.

Mr. S. P. Breckinridge,
2559 Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind words as I have always appreciated your friendship.

Very sincerely yours.

WEBD/GRB.

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Miss Fawcett
File Union Letter

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Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers International Union.

Germanie Hall, 2416 East Ninth St. 3d Floor

July 8th, 1918.

Mr. William Dobson,
General Sec'y. B. M. & P. I. U.
University Park Bldg.
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Sir & Bro.-

We the undersign members of Local Union No. 5, Ohio wish to present the following grievence.

On June 28th we were employed at Cleveland and sent to Sheffield Ala. for the Air Nitrates Corporation and left Cleveland on June 29th and arrived at Plant #2 Sheffield on the 1st and reported to Mr. Lamkie the general Supt. who gave us our time cards and pass to report for work at Muscle Shoals Ala. in the morning, we reported as per instructions but the foreman on this job Mr. Dingleman refused to place us at work, we returned to Sheffield and reported to Mr. Lamkie who stated theycould not employ colored mechanics and held us there until July 4th when we were shipped back to Cleveland.

We believe we have been unjustly delt with and the last paragraph of Sec.4 Art. XI Page 29 I.U.Constitution has been violated, we have been discriminated and imposed upon and believe we are entitled to some consideration by your Honorable Board and that this company be informed and their agents of the I. U. Law regarding the employment of Union men, also that we be compensated for 6 days pay.

Trusting you will give this your immediate attention and careful consideration, we beg to remain,

Fraternally yours,

Arthur Moore
Henry Thomas

Brown Thomas
Will Carthon

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1621 Druid Hill Ave.
Baltimore Md.
Dec. 31, 1918.

Cooperative Buying Dept,
The Crisis;

Gentlemen:- It is possible that Baltimore might be a fruitful field for the development of a Cooperative Buying enterprise. At any rate, will you kindly send me some information concerning details and procedure.

Sincerely yours
Bernard Briggs

Send Co-op. Lit

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PARSONAGE
237 WEST FIFTY-THIRD STREET
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Relative to
W E B DuB.
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February 21, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

70 Fifth Avenue, City.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Please accept my heartiest congratulations on the approach of your Fiftieth Anniversary. I regret exceedingly that it seems impossible for me to be with you on this occasion. I am leaving the city on Saturday for Baltimore and may not be back in time for Monday evening, however, you will find enclosed check for reservation.

We expect to unfurl our Service Flag of Forty-three Stars on Sunday evening, March 3rd at 7:45 o'clock. If it is possible we shall be glad to have you give a short address upon this occasion. There will be other speakers so that a five or ten minutes address is all we ask. We trust it will be our pleasure to have you with us at the appointed time.

Yours sincerely,

W H Brooks

WHB/HBT

February 27, 1918.

Rev. W. H. Brooks,
237 West 53 Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Brooks:

I thank you very much for your kind words.

I am sorry that I cannot be with you Sunday night, March 3, as I have an engagement to speak in the Bronx.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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Mr. W.E.B. DuBois
70 - 5th Ave.
New York
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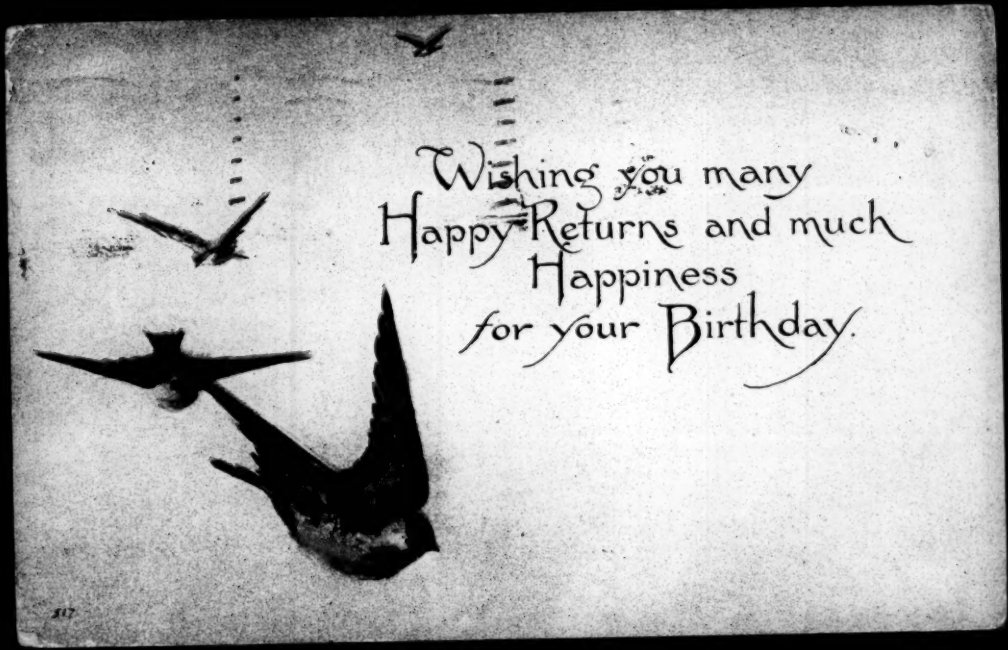
Wishing you many
Happy Returns and much
Happiness
for your Birthday.
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March 9, 1918.

Mrs. William Brooks,
1315 W. Twelfth Street,
Topeka, Kansas.

My dear Mr. Brooks:

Let me thank you for your kind remembrance on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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"PENNY-PINCHERS"

By Earl R. Browder

Not long ago I heard a workman, a leader of workmen, say, "This consumers' Co-operation is bad business; it takes a good live union man and makes a sordid, profit-chasing, penny-pinching, petty merchant out of him."

Is this so?. . . . Let me tell you a story.

Once there was a land where the workers lived in misery. Their labor was long, body-wrecking, heart-breaking; their reward was poverty and starvatipn; their women were forced to go in rags, and their children were hungry.

This land was an island, and close beside it was a larger island. The masters of the two islands worked together to keep their workers in subjection; but they had been especially successful in grinding out the spirit of the workers of the smaller island.

But not for long; for these workers came of a race of proud and independent men, men of vision and the gift of poesy; and such a race always produces its prophets and its leaders in the hour of adversity. Thus it was, that the young men gathered together in the night; and their prophets and leaders appeared; and the young men swore a great oath that the workers of their land should never cease fighting until they were free.

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And they formed unions of workmen of every craft and occupation; and they brought all these unions together in one committee. On the day appointed, all workers, young and old, men and women, left their toil and said to their masters, "We will not work until our labor is lightened, our women clothed and our children fed."

All work was stopped; the forges and the anvils were cold and silent; the chimneys of the factories no longer belched forth their great black clouds; the erst-while hives of industry were silent and deserted, the ships lay at the wharves with their cargoes untouched, the trams and trains ceased running. The workers folded their arms. They struck.

The masters gathered in their mansions and hotels and laughed. These workers were already starving; they could not stay out for long; they would soon be begging for mercy. But the strike went on, day after day, until the masters became uneasy; and to hurry the process of starvation they locked up all the stores of food on the island and put guards around them. And the children were crying for bread.

The workers were beginning to look questioningly at one another. Were their leaders right? Could they beat this monstrous machine? Yes! Nothing could end this fight but victory or death! But the children were crying for bread.

Then up spoke one, a prophet of labor, and said, "The workers of the Big Island are organized; I will go to them, raising the fiery cross of the revolt of Labor, and in the name of Solidarity ask help".

And this prophet of Labor went to the Big Island, and the workers there met him in great multitudes, and the enthusiasm generated by the eloquent prophet of the "fiery cross" swept them off their feet. And soon he met the leaders of the workers of the Big Island, and they asked him "What do you want from us?"

"Food and Solidarity," was the reply.

So they planned long and carefully, and they gathered money for the food, and they went out to buy. But the merchants said, "We cannot sell to you." When they tried to hire ships, the ship-owners said, "We cannot serve you."

"What is to be done? We have solidarity but not food."

Then an old man, one who had often heard the cry, "sordid, profit-chasing, penny-pinching, petty merchant," spoke up and said:

"The Co-operators will handle it for you.",,..

The while, on the Little Island, the men looked harsh, the women gaunt and the children cried for bread. And all eagerly scanned the waters for the return of the prophet; in gathered hosts the workers waited for him.

Came ships, strange ships! Quickly the news spread, "Those ships belong to workers, are manned by workers, were loaded by workers with food produced by workers, and sent by workers to us. No master has laid one penny tribute upon the offering. It is from the Co-operative Society".

A great cry of joy went up from the waiting throng. Each face was bright, each heart was glad, for now each knew the strike was won, the labor lightened, the women clothed, and now no more would children cry for bread!

Did I hear you say, "Fairy tale!"?

The story is true; the islands are Ireland and England; and the story of this strike and the prophet of the "fiery cross," the solidarity of labor, and the Co-operative ships laden with food, is graven upon the heart and brain of every worker in those countries.

A magnificent strike; a magnificent leader; and a magnificent gesture of working-class solidarity by the Co-operative movement! And you, too, know the story, and you know the man!

Did I hear you say something about "sordid, profit-chasing, penny-pinching, petty merchants"?

But the hungry children were fed!

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Winton, N. C.

November 20, 1918.

Dr. W. B. Dubois,

New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

Do you not believe that a special effort should be made at this time to secure certain international rights as well as national ones for the colored people? While world affairs are being reconstructed and "Democracy" is being guaranteed by the great Peace Conference, should not the black man's claim be heard?

Three things to my mind are absolutely important and should be included--

1. A declaration guaranteeing the political and civil rights of Afro-American citizens.

2. The granting and designating a large portion of Africa as a free republic to be owned and governed perpetually by colored people.

3. The recognition and designation of Haiti as a free and independent Negro republic in the Western World, to be protected as such perpetually by the League of Nations.

It seems to me that the National Association for the protection of the Colored Races is the proper organization to head this movement.

Yours in the interest of humanity,

C. S. Brown

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I have read "The Shadow of Years" and now understand. May you live long and your hopes be realized, your dreams come true,

Yours truly,

Ella Barksdale Brown

3437 Halladay St.
Jersey City, N. J.

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February 27, 1918.

Mrs. Alla B. Brown,
343 Halladay Street,
Jersey City, N. J.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your kind words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Cleveland, O.
2324 E. 36, St.
July 15th 1918.

JUL 17 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Editor of the Crisis

Dear Sir: Appreciating your service through the Crisis, to our race, as well as to the people of the United States and the world at large, I know I must speak the sentiments of thousands when I say do not resign as Editor of the Crisis to accept a position in the Army. An intelligent, brave and living voice, such as you have been giving for us, and to all mankind through the Crisis, is worth infinitely more to us and humanity than anything that can come from the memory of a dead hero. Please stick to the Crisis.

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James Rickey
Gov. Neff. J. Brown.

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July 17, 1918.

Mr. George W.J.Brown,
2324 East Thirty-sixth Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

Dr. DuBois is now away from the office on his vacation and will not return until the latter part of August. I beg, however, to thank you for your letter of July 15, a copy of which I am sending him.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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Kansas City Kansas.
Feb. 19th 1918.

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois.
Dear Editor.

It is with the most profound esteem that I wish you all the pleasures of life, on this your 50th birth day, hoping that you may have many more to come.

In reading your past life as you discribed it, I see that your path has not been altogether roses, but you have made your way; from obscurity to the highest pinacle to be reached by man "a leader of his race". A great example for Young manhood to imitate.

Your biography should inspire the faint-hearted of our race.

What a consolation it must be to you after years of Struggle to realize some of your fondest hopes.

The fight for "World democracy" has ever been your theme.

I have been a reader of your magazine + works for a number of years and do heartily agree with you on topics concerning the uplift of our race.

Your fearlessness in championing our cause is worthy of the greatest

Admiration of each member of our race and Respect of other races.

Your editorial in Feb. issue Regarde "Gov't Control of Railroads and its Relation to Negroes, Appealed to thousands the country over. in that it will give a better advantage to rise according to our abilities.

I have Spent 20 Years as a Train man doing twice as much work and receiving half the pay of the white trainman.

Thru agitation from men like Yourself the tide is Slowly but surely Changing. Conditions are getting better out here in the West.

Since Oct. 1st 17. the Law has given a 17 dollar increase in our monthly wages. What we are contending for is for every man regardless of Nationality be promotid as his abilities Warrant. We hope when the great Struggle for "World democracy" is over that You leaders will see that the black man get justice. May you live long to Keep up the fight "Democracy" for the black man as well as the White man

A happy birthday, a reader.

J. A. Brown. R. F. D #3 box 176 a Standard city Kansas.

March 4, 1918.

Mr. J. A. Brown,
R. F. D. No. 3, Box 176, A,
Kansas City, Kansas.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate your kind words of February 19,

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

[John A Brown]

Greetings

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2/25-/35-b

Mrs. John A. Brown
(Lulu nee Mack
A. U. 1900)

2/25/35a

A Greeting

on your Birthday

to wish you

Many, Many

Happy Returns

Sent at earliest time
12-9-18

The Negro co-operative Guild
care of the Christian
#70.5 2d ave N.Y.C.
1455 15- 1918

Dear Sir I am very much
interested in your 1919
movement. along the lines
of race cooperation and
shall be glade to here from
you. Yours for-
Co operation
R. A. Brown

#620 South Washington Sq.
Phila Pa.

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5908 Michigan Ave.

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Chicago Feb-19 .18

Dr W. E. B Du Bois
70 Fifth Ave.
New York.

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My dear Dr DuBois, "here is to"
fifty years and many more
miracle-bringing ones.

You have had, yet have, burdens
laid on your young shoulders, for
you are comparatively young in
years, and absolutely so in soul.
The thinker, the poet-walker and
[illegible] where limitations are not

and the benumbing touch of time is a name, not a fact. In your upward way, to join with orsin you have called "us" to follow. At this point in your life, may you deeply realize that you have many friends among your host of admirers, and that the sweet smiling sounds that reach you are offered in the sense of affection.

I speak for myself and those who may fail or modestly fear to "write a word" to tell you that we have been pained by your utterances, are dignified by our past relationship with you and that we will be a meaningful, forceful support to you

on your unbounded love, telling you
desire of subserviency in order to suit
your degrading taste.

I am,

Very Sincerely yr

S. D. Brown

February 28, 1918.

Mrs. S. D. Brown,
5908 Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

2/14/69

My dear Mrs. Brown:

I thank you for your encouraging words of February 19.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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February 21, 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois; Editor
The Crisis
70 Fifth Avenue
New York City.

2/14/64

My dear Doctor Du Bois:

Please accept on behalf of Mrs. Brown and myself our most sincere congratulations on the near approach of your fiftieth birthday. In common with every other loyal member of the Race we thank you for your years of heroic service in the cause of righteousness. Today more than ever the eyes of the world are upon you, the hearts of the members of your race and of all justice-loving people are beating in unison with your heart. May your life be long spared to the great cause, and may you continue to enjoy in ever increasing measure the gratitude and the honor you so richly deserve. Continued success to the N. A. A. C. P. and to the Crisis.

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

Thos. J. Brown,

February 27, 1918.

Mr. Thomas I. Brown,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Mr. Brown:

May I thank you and Mrs. Brown for your kind words concerning the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and THE CRISIS, and for your hearty congratulations on my birthday?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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2109 Madison Ave
New York City
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Dr W. E. B. DuBois.
Editor The Crisis
City

JAN 26 1918

Back to Dr DuBois

Dear Doctor DuBois: I have just finished reading "The Shadow of the Year" written by a youngster connected with the Crisis and I am writing you to say that I have never read a more fascinating and beautifully written contribution in any number of the Crisis. Of course I don't believe Dr DuBois is fifty years old for he has not a gray hair, on that part of his Cranium where hair grows. The last time I saw the youngster he was as tattooish as a boy of sixteen and his eyes sparkled like diamonds set in ebony. As colored people do not know their ages, I of course refuse to believe that part of the story which fixes the Doctors age at 50. He is mistaken that's all

Nevertheless and notwithstanding I send
him heartiest Congratulation, and my
sincere good wishes for a long, happy, useful
life, and a daily renewal of mental power
and ability to give the right direction to
the thought and policy which is to govern
and control the Negro to-day and to-morrow
God bless you dear friend. Have looked
into your book this morning, and have seen
a MAN. To do me the Kindness (if
if you do not object to handling money)
to pass the enclosed to Dr Dill
$1.00
renewal of my subscription to The
Crisis.- B What has come of the movement
re the memorial Lehmann Settlement?

Sincerely Yours
John Bruce

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2/14/71

January 29, 1918.

Mr. John E. Bruce,
2109 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Bruce:

I thank you for your kind words in your letter of January 25.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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This is not much of a birthday offering dear friend, but it comes from the heart. May the coming years give you every happiness and every good thing which only the good deserve Sincerely yr Bruce Grit.

Prof W. E. B. DuBois

70 Fifth Ave

City

A Birthday Wish

May your life be as the sailing of a ship to far-off seas, setting out over sparkling waters and returning full to overflowing with the good fruits of a long journey.

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Feby 22/18.

TO DR W.E.B. DUBOIS.

— FROM —

His Friend —

Bruce-Grit with every good wish for many happy returns of the day

Sincerely

Geo. Bruce

Dr W.E.B. DuBois.

70. Fifth Ave

City

Birthday Thoughts

Greetings and wishes true
Straight from my heart to you.

2/25 18-14

March 6, 1918.

Mr. John E. Bruce,
447 Lenox Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Bruce:

I thank you very much indeed for the beautiful little ~~poem~~ present which you sent for my birthday and your kind words. I appreciate them.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

210 9 Madison Ave.
City Mch 6/18

MAR 7 1918

Dr W E B. DuBois
70 5th Ave
City

Dear Mr DuBois. I took the liberty to send you on your birth day, as an expression of my good will. a post card, or two, and an Ackwell famous marble head made, the work of a member of the Arts and Crafts Club, of this city, the latter token being delivered by the messenger of that Club, an "der Tage" & I have not yet been favored with an acknowledgement of the receipt of any of these trifles. I assume that they have not yet reached you or that you are too busy to note their arrival. Kindly advise which.

Respectfully
Edward Penfield

P S. I have paid $10.00 to Mr J Rosamond Johnson of the N.A.C.P $1.00 membership fee and a personal contribution of $9.00
This I did on sunday last. 3.30 pm

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JAN 29 1918

778 Carroll St.
Brooklyn N.Y.
Jan. 26. 1918

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have just read The Shadow of Years in my Feb. Crisis. It has stirred me to the depths. I am 61 years old and my first child memory is that of a dark face peering out of the hay in my father's barn. My father was a minister of religion and an abolitionist. He belonged to the underground railroad, and received escaping slaves and at night carried them further North.

Just before he started on one of these nocturnal journeys he had taken me out to meet this poor black man. He taught me to have just a little more respect for a black man than I had for a while, because the black man had suffered such terrible wrongs from the hand of the whites.

I want to heartily congratulate you upon your 50th birthday, and hope that you may live to see 50 more.

Very sincerely yours
William M. Grundage

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February 6, 1918.

Mr. William M. Brundage,
778 Carroll Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words of January 26 with the interesting reminiscence of your father.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

4. Liability and Agent to Third Parties.

a. An agent who exceeds his authority so that the principal is not bound is liable for breacg of warranty of authority, though he is not liable on the contract itself.

b. If an agent signs a sealed contract or a negotiable

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2102 Magazine St., Louisville, Ky.
Feb. 21, 1918.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Greetings, many happy returns of the day — and all good wishes! As you reach this half century mark, more than ever before do we all realize your value to the world in general — and to us in particular. And we wish you to know that we do value you & that we do appreciate you and realize how much you mean to us.

That was very beautifully put — and all that — about your looking death in the face, etc. — and expecting in the nature of things to pass into the great beyond sometime soon — but as it

now. I wish to say that I hope it will be many, many years before you look death in the face again (I'd make it another fifty for you, if I could, - I mean and please get such thots out of your mind. I want you to enjoy life too.

The schools have been much upset here this year because of the many enforced holidays brought about by the extreme weather. Otherwise I have no doubt that an invitation would have been sent you for the lecture of which we spoke. The monthly Teachers Institute has for the present been suspended.

Do take care of yourself. More (about your birthday - and other things) soon.

With all good wishes, Love,

Yours fondly,

Mildred Bryant.

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March 2, 1918.

Miss Mildred Bryant,
2102 Magazine Street,
Louisville, Kentucky.

My dear Mildred:

I appreciate your kind words and am taking care of myself. I hoped I was going to see you in March, but I am afraid now that I shall not.

Where do you spend the summer?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

MAR 4 1918

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A FORUM FOR DISCUSSION OF PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND BENEFICIAL MEASURERS

Denver, Colo., Feb. 28 1918

50 yrs

Dr W.E.B.Du Bois,
Dear Sir:

I write to congratulate you on the magnificent effort, and the marvuolos achievements made to free the Colored Citizen of this country from caste and race pregudice. It is my opinion that The N.A.A.C.P. has done more of a fundimental nature to batter down the walls of legalized repression than any organization since the abolitionist movement. I have known of and read after you something over twenty years I think, first in the "Voice Of The Negro", "The Soul of Black Folk", The Horizone, and I think your Credo in my humble judgment the finest thing of its kind in English literature. Having been an insatiable reader since a small Boy, have drawn my inspiration from white authors and leaders until you came on the seen. You said the thinge that I cherished an believed, to my mind, as they ought to be said; and you are the first, and only Negro that I have accepted as leader, one whome I could follow on most all public questions. You are the last word to date, as to what the Negro needs in leadership.

Sincerely congratulating you on what you have done on this your fiftieth anniversary and pray God that you may live many more happy useful years to instill your lofty ideals of justice and fair play in the minds of both White and Black Americans.

Very sincerely yours, C.W. Buford

1141 Downing st. PRES.

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March 5, 1918.

Mr. C. W. Buford,
1141 Downing Street,
Denver, Colorado.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your encouraging words of February 28.

Very sincerely yours,

WKBD/ORB.

January 25, 1918.

Dr. Henry G. Bugbee,
40 East Forty-first Street,
New York City.

My dear Doctor Bugbee,

I have been in such general good health since consulting you last that it has not seemed necessary to bother you. The urine is clear and a good color and the Life Extension Institute which examines it regularly has given good reports. For the last month, however, I have been troubled with twinges of rheumatism in my right limb. It is not connected, I presume, with my operation which was on the left side, but I do not want it to get permanently in my system. I am writing, therefore, to ask where I can best get expert advice and treatment if necessary.

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I shall appreciate your recommendation.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/MGA

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. FEB 25 1918

Office of the Principal of Public School No. 114 35 First St.

Borough of Manhattan

Feb. 24, 1918

2/19/73

My dear Dr. Du Bois,

There lies before me an invitation to be present at a dinner in your honor. It is a sore temptation, I assure you. It calls for a struggle between duty and pleasure. A pleasure it would unquestionably be to gather with others in showing our appreciation of your worth; but duty calls elsewhere.

During thirteen years I have not been absent from my evening school except on one night when a (rule forbade my going out into the snow). On this occasion grippe, cold, and a few other deficiencies will prevent me from being present.

If this dinner were given on an evening when my school did not demand my attention, I assure you it would give both my wife and me unfeigned pleasure to be present. As it is, neither of us will be able to be present.

However, I cannot deprive myself of the privilege of saying a word or two that I would like to say to you at the dinner.

You have arrived at the half century mark. I remember that, when I was a youth in the South, a man of 50 was spoken of as an old man. But &c. &c. Times have changed. You are still young in the very prime of life. You are vigorous

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

*Office of the Principal of Public School No.*____

*Borough of*_____

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enough to continue your life-long fight against injustice; you are active enough to appreciate evidences, such as this dinner, that you are making a widening circle of auditors and an increasing number of sympathizers.

Your persistent, unswerving fight for human rights is at last commanding attention from all parts of our land and from all classes of people. You pitched your fight on a high plane. In your writings, in your speeches and in your conversations you have spoken like a man: no tergiversation, no swerving, no compromising. Time was not long ago when a man of your convictions and your frankness was vastly more lonely than he is to-day. Apologizing, conciliating, pleasing, soft-speaking, and other evidences of fear and weakness were the means by which we carried ourselves with the people, North or South. It is gratifying to note that there is one man who has stood firm and fought the battles for human rights upon a high plane.

Now, my dear Dr., please accept from my wife and me assurances of our high esteem and our desire that you may yet live many years to continue your fight for freedom.

Very cordially yours,

W. T. Buckley

March 4, 1918.

Dr. W. L. Bulkley,
38 First Street,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Bulkley:

I am sorry you could not be at the dinner, but I thank you very much for your kind words and your continued encouragement.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

May 23, 1918.

My dear Doctor Bulkley,

This will introduce to you Mr. L. Kumamoto, Director of Education, Formosa Government, Japan, who is seeking information relative to Negro education in America. He has visited some of the colored institutions of the South.

Dr. DuBois is on a lecture tour in the South. I have given Mr. Kumamoto some data, but believe that a talk with you will also be helpful to him.

Thanking you for any courtesies,

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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HORACE BUMSTEAD
FORMER PRESIDENT OF ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
91 ST. PAUL STREET, BROOKLINE, MASS

FEB 25 1918

Feb. 22, 1918.

My dear Mr. Johnson:

It is with very great regret that I find myself compelled to forego the pleasure of attending the dinner to be given to Doctor DuBois. The gracious invitation of your Committee of Arrangements to be present as their special guest and to say a few words, has touched me deeply. Except for the limitations of my strength and the risks of travel at this season of the year, I should have been most happy to attend.

I cannot, however, forego the pleasure of sending my hearty congratulations to Doctor DuBois on the completion of the first half century of his life, with my earnest hope that he may round out a sufficiently generous portion (if not all) of a second half century, to witness the inevitable good fruitage of his labors hitherto. And may I also say, through you, to those assembled at the dinner, just a few things that I should have been glad to enlarge upon, had it been possible for me to be present?

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First of all, let me express the keen satisfaction I take in having been the one chiefly responsible, perhaps, for bringing Doctor DuBois to Atlanta University. He has recently called his thirteen years of service there his "real life work"; and I am proud to have helped open the way for him to begin it, and to have been closely associated with his labors for more than a decade, till I ceased to be president. I cannot but smile when I think of the objections and misgivings of some of our trustees and other friends when he came. We wanted a professor of sociology with special reference to investigating conditions concerning the Negro; and I said that Doctor DuBois was the one man, white or black, far and away best fitted for the position. I knew of his long preparation at Fisk, Harvard, and in Germany, and I had read the unstinted praise which the New York Nation had given to his first publication, "The Suppression of the Slave Trade", and I knew of the confidence which Provost Harrison of the University

of Pennsylvania had in him when he engaged him to spend a year or more in making a scientific study of the Philddelphia Negro. But, said some, if you are going to give the position to a Negro, why not to a graduate of Atlanta rather than of Fisk? Because, said I, we want the best man, regardless of where he was graduated. But how about his religion---he's studied in Germany---perhaps if you scratch him, you'll find an agnostic. Now it is true that Atlanta University has always had a pronounced religious, though undenominational, life---a life inherited from the New England people represented by its founders; and it has always looked to its teachers, so far as possible, to help to maintain it---so I must needs have some assurances on this point. But, as Doctor DuBois will remember, they were not very easy to get. He seemed to be one of those persons who, when asked about their religion, reply that they "have none to speak of". But though reluctant to speak of his religion or to say what he would do at Atlanta, I observed that at the time of my interview with him he was living with his newly wedded bride in the centre of the Negro slums of Philadelphia, doing the beneficent work to which Provost Harrison had called him, and I thought there were some indications of genuine religion in that fact. Nor was I disappointed, later, when some of the deepest and most vital expressions of the religious life came from his lips as he conducted evening devotions at the University.

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So, in spite of objections and misgivings, Doctor Du Bois came to Atlanta University, and we held him there for thirteen years notwithstanding several offers to go elsewhere and get double the salary that we could afford to pay him. His work became a memorable part of the history of the Institution. Let me specify two of its most prominent and valuable features.

One was the inauguration, for the first time in any American college, of a thoroughly scientific study of the conditions of Negro life, covering all of its most important phases, and resulting in a score of

annual "Atlanta University Publications", conceded to be of the highest authority, both in this country and in Europe.

Even more important than this, was the stimulating personal influence of Doctor Du Bois upon our students. He had acquired his own education where the highest standards prevailed, and he would tolerate no lofer ones in his own classrooms. Not only in study but also in conduct, he demanded of his pupils the best that was in them. He taught them the nobility and sacredness of their manhood---endowed, as they were, with all the inherent rights and possibilites of development enjoyed by humanity anywhere. To his fellow teachers, too, he brought joy, for though often looked upon in the outside world as a pessimist, he was about the jolliest member of our Faculty. The inspiration of his stimulating personality has gone out through all the South and will be felt for generations to come.

A work at Atlanta University so potent as that which I have thus briefly noted could not fail to extend its influence beyond the limits of the South and the Negro race. Thinking people everywhere have been awakened to the fact that Black Folk have Souls that it is cruelty to starve and aspirations that it is folly to check. They have been helped to acknowledge that while it is a good thing to make men carpenters, it is an even better thing to make carpenters men. In the great warfare against caste and prejudice and injustice, it was natural that Doctor Du Bois should experience an increasing desire for more active service. This warfare at Atlanta University was largely trench work, involving patient waiting and united action in advancing or holding the line as circumstances might require. This was often irksome, and it was sometimes difficult to restrain our valiant warrier from going "over the top", individually, and out into "no man's land" to engage some enemy singlehanded, or even to face the fiery barrage of a hostile world.

But all this concerns the past---that invaluable epoch of his life at Atlanta University. And now for some years he has been enjoying

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the greater freedom of a belligerent in the army of moral and spiritual aviators, unhindered by trenches and barbed wire, soaring above the masses of the troops, hovering over the lines of the enemy, watching their movements, photographing their fortifications, and dropping his bombs wherever he thinks they will be most effective, without waiting for specific orders to do so.

God bless him and spare him long to achieve---and to help his fellow warriers to achieve---many and many a victory!

Yours very sincerely,

Grace Dunlap

Mr. James Weldon Johnson,
Care of N.A.A.C.P.,
70 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

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April 15, 1918.

Dr. Horace Bumstead,
91 St. Paul Street,
Brookline, Massachusetts.

2/17/14

My dear Dr. Bumstead:

I want to thank you very much for the kind letter which you wrote on the occasion of my birthday dinner.

I trust this will find you and Mrs. Bumstead in good health.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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March 4, 1918.

MEMO. FOR MRS. NATALIE CURTIS BURLIN
ON HER NEGRO FOLK-SONG MANUSCRIPT.

(P.3) I should be a little careful in stressing too much the importance of the two young men from Africa. After all, there are two million of Negroes in Africa of widely different culture.

(Pp.3 & 4) There were many Bantu Negroes brought to America, because the Bantu linguistic family is relatively large. At the same time, there is nothing to prove that there were more Bantus in proportion than other tribes.

(P.5) "The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man" was written by James W. Johnson and published by Schirmer-French, Boston.

(P.8) What you say is right, and yet I should give it a different statement which I think is nearer the truth. I should, for instance, say: "It reminds us that the Semites and black Africans are from one parent Asiatic stem, and that ever since their prehistoric and differentiation and separation there has been in historic times continual contact and intermingling in the North of Africa around the Red Sea and down the coasts of the Indian Ocean. This was not merely the comparatively modern contact of Arab master and Negro slave. but an

earlier and much more important contact of two systems of culture, Arabian and African. In the Sudan, in the mountains of Abyssinia, and in Mozambique, not only did Arabian culture penetrate Central Africa, but Negro culture changed and modified the African culture of the Semites, and especially in art and music and industry the African influence can be traced far into Spain and Arabia." (cf. Frobenius "Unt Afrika Sprach.)

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Mrs. Natalie Curtis Burlin,
331 West 76th Street,
New York City.

Enc.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois.
The Crisis
70 Fifth Ave.
(Nat'l Ass'n for the Advancement
of Colored People)

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My dear Dr. Du Bois,

will [illegible] you
one question
[illegible] under separate
cover a postcard in my
introduction, the para-
graph [illegible] kindly
write for me as to
the relation of Negro
& Semitic peoples? —

Very sincerely yours
Natalie Curtis Burlin.

331.4-20.
March 20. 1918

April 1, 1918.

Mrs. N. C. Burlin,
331 West 76 Street,
New York City.

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My dear Mrs. Burlin:

I shall be very glad indeed for you to quote or use the foot-note in your book with my name.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBB/GRB.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois—

Heartiest felicitations on your attainment to the fiftieth birthday of a life of the noblest service.

Charles Burroughs

February 23, 1918.

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March 13, 1918.

Mr. Charles Burroughs,
630 East 227 Street,
New York City.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate your good wishes in your note of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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630 East 227th St.
N.Y. Bronx

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My dear Dr. Du Bois

Accept my heartiest wishes for a happy birthday and many more jolly and busy years.

Ever since I, a nineteen year old girl, one day chanced on an essay of yours in an old Atlantic Monthly, your work has been an inspiration for me.

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I am indebted to
you for an enrich-
ing of my intellectual
and spiritual life
& wish to thank you.

With your position
on the Negro question
I agreed from the
start. & the beauty
& your style make
reading your writing
a delightful task.

& shall never forget
the charm & the Souls
of Black Folk; a. o.

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"the Negro" taught
me to walk into
head first.

I hope Mrs. DuBois
and Yolande are
well. All the folks here
send love to them.

Sincerely
Mrs. H. J. Burroughs

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March 5, 1918.

Mrs. M. J. Burroughs,
630 East 227 Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Burroughs:

I appreciate your kind words on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Box 464
Crockett Texas
2-19-1918.

Sir please publish this in the Crisis for March in honor of our Manager W. E. B. Du Bois I am a School girl and read the Crisis each month and wish to show our manager how much I honor his fifty years.

Resp. Yours
Emma M. D. Burk.

2/14/18

[ENCLOSURE]

Emma G. D. Burt

Fifty Years.

I

Do you say that you've lived fifty years
Through this world of toil and pain?
You had a hard fight and so many fears,
You'd not like to live it again.

II.

You've bloomed in life's garden for fifty long years
While Sorrow like thorns came your way,
And tears like raindrops fell from your eyes
But think you are fifty today.

III.

Just think half a Century have passed you today
While you helped your sorrows back on their way,
And you faced old death but he bid you stay
So thank God, for your fifty today.

DR. W. H. BURTON
CHIROPODIST AND ORTHOPEDIC
FOOT SPECIALIST

50 yrs

OFFICE 84 WEST MAIN ST. BENTON HARBOR, MICH Feb - 8 - 1918

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Dr W. E. B. Du Bois
Editor The Crisis
26 Jeary St N. J. City N. J.

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Dr Du Bois – Being a new subscriber to your publication, and being so impressed with its contents causes me to feel really interested and I will more than follow the suggestion of your friend in congratulating and honoring you on your fiftieth birthday by find a new subscriber for the Crisis.

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I have spoken to a few of the biggest people in our community, asking them to subscribe for the Crisis, the class of people that believe with us, I have asked your representitive to furnish me a few sample copies and I am going to do my best to assist Mrs Mitchen in doing her part to increase the circulation to your hope of one hundred thousand this year.

Hoping you live happy & Truly

Wm H Burton

2/14/19

February 15, 1918.

Dr. W. H. Burton,
64 West Main Street,
Benton Harbor, Mich.

My dear Mr. Burton:

I thank you very much for your interest in THE CRISIS and your kind words.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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1116 St James Street
Richmond Virginia
Feb 4, 1918

Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois
New York City, N.Y.

To our dear Doctor Du Bois:

I am sending herewith a poem dedicated to your Birthday. Please let it have a place in your March Crisis.

Respectfully,
E.D. Caffee

February 7, 1918.

Mr. E. D. Caffee,
1116 St. James Street,
Richmond, Virginia.

My dear Sir:

I think you can realize that much as I appreciate your poem it would hardly be modest for me to publish it in THE CRISIS. I am sending it to the AFRO-AMERICAN in Baltimore.

I thank you for it.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Giles Jackson PT

April 19, 1918.

Rev. H. D. Caffee,
1116 St. James Street,
Richmond, Virginia.

My dear Mr. Caffee:

The time has come when Giles Jackson must be exposed for our own safety. He is being used as a tool for getting appropriations at Washington, and it has been with difficulty that we have just kept him from securing an important appointment.

I want to get at the history of his life with the idea eventually of thoroughly exposing it in THE CRISIS. How can this be done? I wish you would advise me.

I am writing Mr. Baros and Prof. Simpson.

Very sincerely yours,

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1116 St. James Street,
Richmond, Virginia.
April 20th, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, Editor Crisis,
New York City, New York.

Our dear Doctor DuBois:

Your letter of yesterday came to hand this morning. In reply will say that as I am in Richmond, I stand ready to do whatsoever you may request of me. I have seen, long time ago, the necessity of destroying the "niggerish" influence of the ass Giles Jackson. I am glad you are taking up the matter.

My dear Doctor DuBois, I, at your bidding, stand ready to gather up his pedigree—all the facts of his traitorous life, both verbal and written indictments against him. I will give you authentic statements;— facts that you may rely upon. You, of coures, will take the matter and fix it to suit yourself.

Respectively yours,

E. D. Caffee

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P. S.—Please, beginning with April, send the Crisis to the following:

1. Mrs. Lillian Holmes, 712 Preston Street, Richmond, Va.
2. Andrew B. Wingo, Amelia Court House, Va.
3. Mrs. L. B. Roberson, Bowling Green, Va.

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Find enclosed Three($3.00)Dollars.

Giles Jackson P7

April 23, 1918.

Mr. E. D. Caffee,
1116 St. James Street,
Richmond, Va.

Dear Mr. Caffee,

I will be very glad to have you take up the matter of Giles Jackson immediately. He has got to be squelched with the truth.

Please collect the data of his career as carefully as possible and let me know if there is any expense.

Very sincerely yours,

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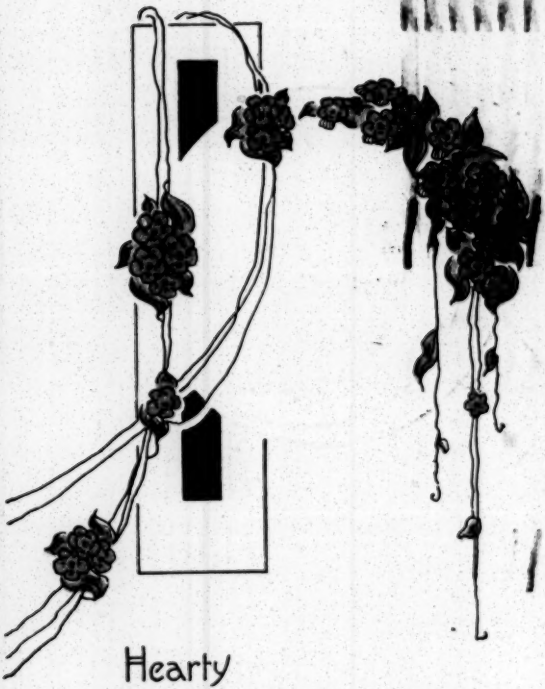

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Congratulations

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

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December 1, 1918.

My dear Professor Du Bois:

In your official letter of November 15th you ask that the History Department of the University of California should give you some names of trained historical students who could contribute to a history of the American Negro in the Great War. I have been inquiring into the matter with my colleagues and I have to report to you that we have no negro students who have specialized in history. On the other hand I can most heartily recommend to you two young negro graduates, Walter Gordon and J. E. Covington of the class of 1918. These two young men took a certain amount of history during their college course and are now studying law. They are both of they industrious and able and could I am sure get together the information you want with regard to the services of the Negro population of California, some twenty-five thousand, during the war. I shall be very glad to aid one or both of them and to show them how to get the necessary material from Sacramento and elsewhere. I like your idea so much that not only I myself but my colleagues in the History Department will put these young men in touch with those who have the control of the documents. I doubt whether they are sufficiently trained to write a definite historical account of the matter, but I will see that they get all the information and submit it to you or to whomsoever you may nominate to put into literary form.

I might add that I have known Walter Gordon for several years and I am much interested in him. He is one of the most popular students in the University of California, a member of the University football team, a well-known athlete, a good student, and a fine upright fellow. His career in the University of California has drawn the attention of his race and I am sure that he will be able to get all the information you may need from the various negro centers in the State of California. If you care to write to him or to Covington in my care in the Faculty Club I will see that they get the letters and instructions and will do my best to help them to meet your wishes.

Let me add in conclusion how heartily I sympathize in your project of giving the world a clear historical account of the services of the negro population of America in the great war and that I offer you the best cooperation of the History Department of the University of California.

Professor W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Yours very truly, H. Morse Stephens

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Allen Christian Endeavor League

of the

African Methodist Episcopal Church

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Julian C. Caldwell,
General Sec'y

Nashville, Tenn. Feb. 8, 1918.

Dear Dr. Dubois:-

I want to congratulate you pn having reached almost the half century mile-post and pray that you may live many more years to,be a mouth piece for an up-rising people. You do not realize what a tremendous force for good "The Crisis" is and how it is helping our people to look up and not down.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is the most potential agency to-day to shape and mold public sentiment against the wrongs of our people,and I know how you are putting your life into it.

I am making an aplication for membership and herewith enclosed check for $ 5.00, which I will be glad to pay every year.

Mrs. Caldwell joins me in love to you and yours, and it my prayer that God will continue to bless you in all your labors of love.

Yours Singerely,

Julian C. Caldwell.

February 15, 1918.

Mr. Julian C. Caldwell,
Allen Christian Endeavor League,
African Methodist Episcopal Church,
Nashville, Tennessee.

My dear Mr. Caldwell:

I thank you very much indeed for your kind words and your interest in this work.

Our best regards to you and Mrs. Caldwell,

Very sincerely yours,

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LEWIS A. H. CALDWELL
LAWYER
1700 ~~Broadway~~ BROADWAY
GARY. IND.

Feb. 23rd. 1918

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My dear Dr. Dubois,- Please accept my congratulations on your fiftieth aniversity. I should like to say much as to your worth to humanity, to civilization and Christianity but words fail me in the first place, and secondly your time is too valuable to read it should I attempt to say. but Suffice it to say:- your courageous and effective fight for the rights of an oppressed people has not only endeared you to the hearts of all lovers of liberty but has made you the foremost leader of the Negro race, living or dead.

May God spare your life to us fifty years longer.

Yours Truly

Lewis A H Caldwell

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March 5, 1918.

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Mr. Lewis A. H. Caldwell,
1700 Broadway,
Gary, Indiana.

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My dear Sir:

May I thank you for your kind congratulations of February 23?

Very sincerely yours,

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W E B DUBOIS

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THOS J CALLOWAY.

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July 11, 1918.

Mr. Thomas J. Calloway,
1403 New York Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Calloway:

Thank you very much for your telegram. At present, I do not think I shall accept the appointment.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Miss Etta Canning ton of Danvers Mass. a constant reader of the Crisis for the last three years. wishes & enclosed to Dr Du Bois her congratulations on his birthday. and to us Success

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Happiness.

"Happy Birthday!"
This I pray
As these bluebirds
Come your way,
And may Heaven
Richly bless
All the year with
Happiness.

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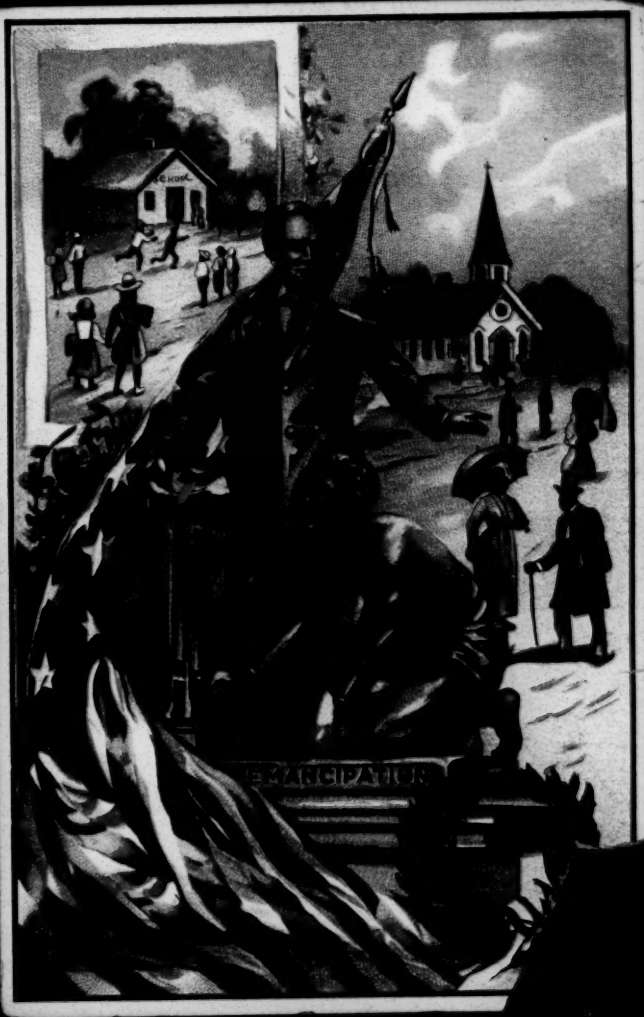
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February 27, 1918.

Mrs. Etta Canington,
Dennus, Massachusetts.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your kind greetings on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Maynard School
~~J. W. CANSLER~~
~~Principal~~
WILLIAM J. CANSLER
Principal

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,

Dear Sir;-

I wish to congratulate you upon your fiftieth anniversary. May you be spared to pass many more milestones of life in health and mental vigor.

If you remember the occasion of your last visit to our city and the circumstances of Rev. Tate who was to introduce you and the merriment occasioned by his lengthy speech, of his delving into science, literature, art the Bible etc. etc. Alas, poor fellow is dead. He was a good man and all that but his ambition for notoriety made him sometimes lose his head.

I had as a visitor and also I expect inspector as he copied much from our monthly and term reports Walter B Hill one of that committee who wrote Negro Education under Supervision of Supt. of Ed. I had on my

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desk at the time, his book and also the Crisis for Feb. which contained your review of the work. He was thoroughly conversant with your editorial having seen it. I sometimes think that our publications dont reach the spot intended ~~they~~ should, but I believe the average intelligent white man gets all we do or say.

I must not close with out expressing my opinion of the Shadow of Years which I take to rank with Addison's Spectator or Sir Roger de Coverly and the gems of English Literature. We have nothing finer. I shall have my teachers use this as a study in our higher grades.

Wishing you success I am

Respectfully yours,

William J. Cansler.

You were born for luck
You just missed Feb 22 by
one day. How fortunate.

March 15, 1918.

Mr. William J. Cansler,
Knoxville City Schools,
Knoxville, Tennessee.

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My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your encouraging letter on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois.
#70 Fifth Ave. New York.

#609 Fifth St.
Galveston Tex.
March 4th 1918.

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Dear Sir.

Away down here in Texas, after what we Texans are pleased to term a severe winter, I chanced to have placed into my hands one of the most fearless, all around up to date, wide awake, comprehensive, far sighted, intelligent, yet manly, and ever dexterously conservative, single matter published, viz "The "Crisis" in defence of the "Am American Citizens" of this our Great "Republic" — Such a manly, and yet scathingly but positive, utterance, from the pen

of your brave, and great
men. Cannot fail to pro-
duce for the race, very gratifying
effects. I have read carefully,
your brief synopsis of your
history, and experience in
life! And from beginning
to end I find you to be
strong and tenacious, and
able to look adverse Circum-
stances in the face, with
well balanced reason,
and composure. I am
proud of you as a member
of the Afro American race, as a
Citizen. The White man must be
rebuked for his wrongs like other
men. This is the 4th week that I have
been confined at home with
sore feet, And while here, I
have tried to read every thing

Will in fact in the
Galaxy of our greatest
men, you stand
among the brilliant,
& the brilliantest.
Thus again, you are
able to make out, what
you take in hand, and
too! As you sail upon the
broom of life's ocean, you
are cognizant, of the (ir)
boats of Americanism, but
mostly Southern prejudice infesting the sea
of life, and are prepared
to annihilate them with
both its indisputable logic, & reason.
Yours Sincerely for the race,
J. R. Carnes.

of importance, and shall in the near future subscribe for the "Crisis." I am in hopes of being able to shake your hand during some time this year, the Lord being willing. I am not writing this for publication, but merely to let you know that I regard you as the greatest man now living in the U.S. of American race. (1) Better educated man, than the lamented Booker T. Washington; (2) Possessing more grit, and uncompromising manhood, than Fred Douglass; (3) More Erudite, than Langston; (4) More Comprehensively Prepared than B.K. Bruce; (5) More Sacrificing than Kelly Miller.

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March 14, 1918.

Mr. J. R. Carnes,
809 Fort Street,
Palestine, Texas.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind letter of March 4.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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70 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

W. E. BURGHARDT DU BOIS

March 12, 1918.

Mr. Hulbert C. Airton,
8 Mundy Street,
Georgetown Dem., British Guiana.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for

your kid

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Municipal Building, Fifteenth Floor

William D. Bruce
CORPORATION COUNSEL
Joseph J. Darcy
WILLIAM J. MILLARD
ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL
IN CHARGE

Feb. 23/18

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Ave, City.

My dear Dr.:-

Hearty congratulations upon your arrival at the fiftieth milestone on Life's highway.

May your courage, hopefulness and strength be renewed like the eagle's youth, and may you in the future, as in the past, be privileged to carry, with unfaltering tread, the sacred torch of manhood resistance to wrong in all its hydra-headed forms.

Very sincerely yours,

James D. Carr.

March 8, 1918.

Mr. James D. Carr,
Law Department,
Municipal Bldg., 15 floor,
New York City.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your encouraging words in your letter of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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PENNSYLVANIA LINES

WEST OF PITTSBURGH.

February 16, 1918
426 Galloway Ave.

Dear Dr. Du Bois: — I have just received my February Crisis and to my great delight I found your autobiography, the one thing I have longed for ever in my child hood. How well do I remember the essays that Prof. Philips of the U. N. C. & A. T., after giving us a thorough thesis, had us write on "Who is the best leader Booker T. Washington or W. E. B. Du Bois." Many and many times we have debated the point thoroughly."

I have read this "Shadow of Years" over six times and the only fault I find is that it is too short. I some how feel that there are some details that space in the Crisis would not permit you to tell us about. For instance your health generally, your favorite amusements, yes and even the things you like best to eat. Please dont wait until you die to have some dear friend write us details of your every day life.

I speak not for myself alone but for the hundreds whom I know and have

talked with. Every Negro in America that has back bone and courage love you and the most noble light you have made for their very lives in America, the only home about which they know.

Are they?

Because Negroes are awakening. That in hand "Weird is swiftly fading. We love freedom, courage and nobility. We love those noble beard you wear, because they within themselves give one a tone of stern justice and freedom. We love that bald head that tells us you are used to wearing your hat. I fear that I believe we have more bald headed Negroes today than ever before in America's history. First because education has changed the calibre of the brain, and secondly because Negroes are learning to keep their hate on and, like vegitation, hair want grow under cover.

We thank God for that dark, shining bronze mother with a tiny ripple in her black hair. We thank God for you. We thank you for your "Children of Years", for your most noble sacrifices of low salaries and

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no salaries and we most fervently pray that it shall be His divine will that you shall not have another view of death's lineaments for at least another fifty years to come.

Dick may adore you, Harvard may appreciate you and Berlin may think well of you as a scholar. But I say to you that "Liberty Loving" America loves you as its leader, and loves you passing well.

Spencer D. Carter
Columbus Ohio.

20/14/12

February 21, 1918.

Mr. Spencer J. Carter,
466 Galloway Avenue,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate your very kind words in your letter of February 16. I hope sometime I may expand my autobiography.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

February 19, 1918.

My dear Carter:

I appreciate very deeply your kind remembrance for my birthday. I shall hope to see you sometime in the near future.

Very sincerely yours,

2/16/43

WNBD/GRB.

Mr. W. J. Carter,
420 Market Street,
Harrisburg, Pa.

Law Offices of
W. Justin Carter
Harrisburg, Pa.

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February 19th, 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My Dear Doctor DuBois:-

God endowed you with great talents and freedom to use them according to the bent of your own will. Had you chosen to apply yourself to purely selfish ends, you could have acquired a lasting and untroublesome fame, and emoluments commensurate with your unsual gifts and power; but with a zeal born of consecration itself you have bestowed all you have to the race: unselfishly, it may be said, to your own material loss, generously to the poverty of your own comfort, and assiduously to the undermining of your own health. Your masterful and cultured vision saw that if the battle of the Negro was to be permanently won it must be won not alone on the statute books, in the shop or behind the counter but in the hearts, feelings and opinions of men and you had the spirit and courage to lead the race in a mighty fight for ideals and for a place in the conscience and thought of the world without which legal guarantees become mere words without active and applied meaning.

The future historian will find the language and turn the phrase which shall tell the deep obligation the race and the people owe to your life and public service. It is only left for me here, on your Fiftieth Anniversary, to express my own high appreciation for your distinguished service; and in sending you this word of congratulation may I add that it is with a sense of pride that I can do so as your friend and call you mine. Under separate cover I am sending you a small gift which I wish you to accept as a token of my personal esteem and best wishes.

Sincerely your friend,

W. Justin Carter

2/24/37

February 25, 1918.

Mr. W. Justin Carter,
420 Market Street,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

My dear Carter:

I wrote you February 19 on receipt of the shaving set and am writing again today to express my appreciation for your very kind letter.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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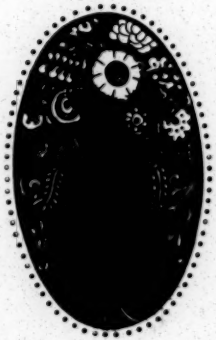
Birthday Greetings



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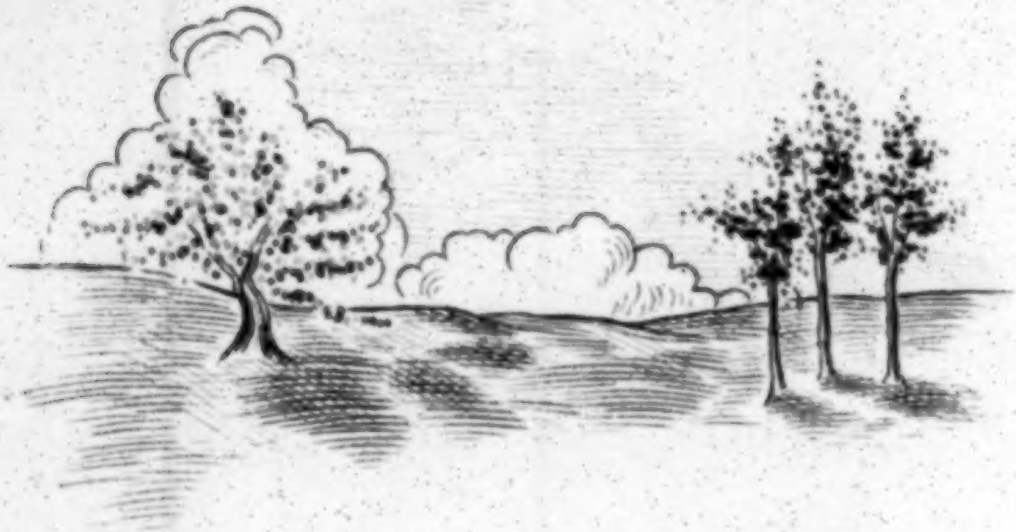

The best of wishes
in a greeting
on your birthday

2/25/43

From
Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Chambers
650 Sherman St.
Grand Rapids,
Mich.

May you be very happy
On your birthday
And on every day
that follows.

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March 8, 1918.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Chambers,
650 Sherman Street,
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Chambers:

I appreciate very much your kind remembrance on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Give full address of your letter here
Town, County and State

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Place name and serial number here

Name W. E. B. Dubois

c/o The Crisis 70 Fifth Ave

St. No.

Town New York City

Co. State Ny.

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Name Ulysses S Chambers

Serial No 6609

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818 JEFFERSON AVE.,
MOUNDSVILLE, W. VA., 2-22 1918

2/24/25

Dr Dubois

Dear Sir. with great pleasure I Extend birthday greetings And best wishes,
That you are doing a great work for the race And the world is obvious
And may the God we love And serve Give you health And wisdom to Continue in the work And bless you And yours in after years when the time of reaping is at hand the ultimate Results of your Great work will only then be fully Dialyzed I am Very Respectfully yours
Ulysses Chambers,

INSTRUCTIONS TO RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Make All Letters Brief. Write Plainly In The English Language Only. Confine letters to family or business affairs. In addressing letters and newspapers, write the prisoner's full name and serial number plainly on the envelope or wrapper to insure the prisoner receiving them. All incoming and outgoing letters must be first read by an offioer before delivery. All papers and packages are closely inspected before delivery. Prisoners in the first grade will be permitted to see their friends twenty minutes twice each month; prisoners in the second grade will be permitted to see their friends twenty minutes once each month.

Prisoners are furnished with coarse shoes, warm woolen outer clothing, comfortable underwear and plenty of plain wholesome food; the sending of food is undesired and may be withheld. Plain shoes, while not necessary, are unobjectionable Daily and weekly papers, magazines and books will be delivered. ***No Cigarettes or Cigarette Tobaccoes of any kind will be delivered;*** Scrap, Plug and such smoking tobacco as FIVE BROTHERS will be delivered.

Visitors are admitted to the institution on the payment of a fee of 25 cents on week-days at 10:30 A. M., 1:20 and 3:20 P. M. and conducted through the Institution.

All prisoners confined in this institution will be permitted to write to the Governor, Board of Control or any members thereof and the Pardon Attorney undercover. Prisoners in the First Grade will be permitted to write twice each month; prisoners in the Second Grade once a month, and in addition to this all prisoners will be granted special permits to write as many other letters as they may deem necessary to their parents, wife, sisters and brothers, or letters in regard to pardon or parole cases or any other special business. All letters addressed to the Governor, Board of Control or Pardon Attorney written under cover must have the address of the sender in the upper left hand corner of the envelope. All express packages sent to inmates of this institution must be sent prepaid. No drugs of any kind permitted, except on order of Prison Physician.

M. Z. WHITE, WARDEN.

March 6, 1918.

Mr. Ulysses Chambers,
$ 6609,
818 Jefferson Avenue,
Moundsville, W. Va.

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My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind letter of February 22.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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1609 "S" Street, N. W.,

Washington, D. C., February 13, 1918.

Honorable W. E. Burghardt Du Bois,
Editor, "The Crisis",
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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Dear Friend:

It seems too bad that we should be limited to "a word" in honor of your birthday, and since a word must suffice I address you as "friend". That is a glowing tribute, for one must sometimes "lay down his life for his friends". You have done that, and without making this letter to you unduly lengthy, I must let you know that in thus writing to you I doubly appreciate both the man and his message. The measure of our years must not take cognizance of the numbers, but rather of the good and help that we have been to our fellows, and when one, like yourself, gives so much of himself to us and our cause, can we be less than grateful?

Go forth, then, in the vigor of fresh manhood! You have fully fifty years ahead of you, and more than fifty, for when your carnal frame shall have wasted then your spirit shall live on through countless ages in the lives of Negro men and women yet unborn. All hail, and glad day, and may He who makes the wrath of men to praise Him, fill your years with good things.

With my ardent wish for many happy returns of the day, and with the additional prayer that you may grow in wisdom and in favor

with God and man, I am,

Very cordially yours, and always,

Daniel A. Chase.

2/14/04

February 19, 1918.

Mr. Daniel W. Chase,
1609 S Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much indeed your kind letter of February 13.

Very sincerely yours,

WMBD/GRB.

RW-2176-2893 July 26, 1918.

Mr. H.G.Chickering,
E.I.DuPont De Nemours & Company,
Wilmington, Del.

2/13/78

My dear Sir:

Your letter of July 23 has come during Dr. DuBois' absence from the city. It will, however, have his early attention upon his return, about the middle of August.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

August 6, 1918.

2/13/77

Mr. H. G. Chickering,
E. I. DuPont De Nemours & Company,
Wilmington, Delaware.

Sir:

Your letter of July 23 (FILE RW-2176-2893) was received during my absence. I have known Harry S. Keelan since he was a baby and known his parents. He is a young man of ability and stirling character, made an excellent record in chemistry while in Harvard College and has done work in independent research since which I have been told is of the highest value. He has a pleasant personality and gets on with other people.

I do not know whether he has specialized in organic or inorganic chemistry.

Very sincerely yours,

2/25/24

Mr. & Mrs Frank P. Chisholm
send hearty congratulations
to Dr. Du Bois on this his
fiftieth birthday, with sin-
cere hopes that many more
may be his years of use-
fulness and happiness.

Saybrook Connecticut
February 20, 1918.

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B-39 Y. M. C. A.,
Camp Meade, Md.,
November 23, 1918.

Mr. W. E. B. Dubois,
Editor: The Crisis,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Dubois:-

May I venture to make a suggestion? Several of our men have made this suggestion to me and I pass it on to you. It is that the N. A. A. C. P. find some way to be represented in person or propaganda at the coming peace conference.

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This may not be consonant with your ideas of loyalty to the country but it has occurred to us that a world's peace conference is the logical place for the righting of the world's wrongs. To use an historic phrase, this war has been waged to make ' the world a decent place to live in.' No doubt you have already taken this matter under advisement but it will not be amiss for you to know how others are thinking.

Yours respectfully,

B. F. B. Church.

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Yours respectfully,

(Signed) B. B. CHURCH

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DR W E B DUBOIS

70 FIFTH AVE NEWYORK NY

PLEASE ACCEPT THE HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS OF ONE OF YOUR BEST WISHERS MAY YOU LIVE TO SEE FIFTY MORE FOR WITHIN THAT TIME I HOPE YOU WILL SEE FULLY THE REALIZATION OF YOUR NOBLE EFFORTS

R R CHURCH

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March 8, 1918.

Mr. R. R. Church, Jr.,
391 Beal Avenue,
Memphis, Tennessee.

My dear Mr. Church:

Let me thank you for your encouraging words in your telegram of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

August 12, 1918.

Mr. R. R. Church,
391 Beale Avenue,
Memphis, Tenn.

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My dear Mr. Church:

I am holding at the CRISIS office in New York, August 26 and 27, a conference on cooperation among colored people. I think the time has come to start a national movement. This conference is preliminary to a national conference to be held in 1919.

Would it be possible for you to attend?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Charleston S. C.
Feb 20th 1918

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Dr. W. E. DuBois:

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The City Federation of Charleston S. C. with Carolina stretches out a hand across the thousand miles that separate us to clasp yours in hearty greetings and congratulations

We feel honored to be able to send you a word of appreciation for all you have meant to the heart of a people who have need to be discouraged, and yet who find a hopeful leader

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We [illegible] you to be a
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-scaping on the wall,
we [illegible] under-
-stand [illegible].
For the sake [illegible] the
race and for the nations
good we hope you many
more happy birthdays
Sincerely
Y.W. Federation
Of Women Clubs

167 Spring St

2/14/14

March 5, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois wishes to send to the Charleston Federation his very deep appreciation of their kind words of February 20. He remembers with great pleasure his visit to Charleston and hopes sometime to repeat it.

WEBD/GRB.

City Federation of Women's Clubs,
157 Spring Street,
Charleston, South Carolina.

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Feb 19 — 1918

Dear Friend:

Please accept my very hearty congratulations upon your 50th birthday.

I trust you may have fifty nine all as profitably lived and as much enjoyed as the past fifty have been.

With love and good wishes, I am as ever

Yours truly,

Carrie W. Clifford.

To Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois.

(Upon his 50th birthday anniversary)

"The year of jubilee has come — rejoice!"
Oh, hardly but thou in the long-sought goal
But thou art still the captain of thy soul!
Inspired of God to make the righteous choice.
Above the world's loud clamoring, thy voice
Revived the dying sheep: the tainted dole
Of gold, by thee was spurned! 'twas thou didst roll
away the stone from our dark grave, Du Bois!
So fairing thro' the shadow of the years,
Remembering how the heart was wrung with fears,
And running all the sorrow, all the tears —
Oh, precious is the meed of praise we bring!
With love's rare garlands do we now encircle
And with loud shouts of joy, proclaim thee — King!

C.W.C.

Sunday afternoon

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,

Dear Sir: 24

As you know, I am and have ever been one of your most devoted and ardent supporters and admirers. In fact, the measure of my admiration amounts to Hero-worship.

So great is my confidence in your judgment, that I am swayed by your utterances, whatever they may be, on any given topic. So sure am I of your unyielding attitude toward wrong and injustice that I would stake my very life on your integrity. You are the pattern that I hold up before my sons for their emulation and your name as our "cause" have always found in me a most zealous champion. I say this because I want you to know how much I have builded upon you. I want you to realize how great is your responsibility and with what momentous obligations you are charged.

2/16/27

Last Sunday afternoon, I listened to you with great pleasure, as I always do. I think you never spoke better.

In spite of your cold, your visit was pleasing to a great degree. Your message was very helpful, and as you always do, you showed us how to act, in our usual dilemma. But you did not go after the Ballou letter, in your usual direct, thrashing way. You were cautious — too cautious.

Our sons, in whose hearts we have implanted the seeds of real manhood, have been made the victims of a grave injustice! They cannot defend themselves — not even to the extent they could if they were civilians. Now our organization must be their defense! That letter was insulting to the last degree, and Col. Ballou ought to be brought up short, in his wild ravings.

I have thought a long time before presuming to even seem to criticize or advise you. I would have preferred talking with you about it if that had been possible.

Don't let the insidious influences of New York obscure your vision, I beg of you. Always, high and clear above the mutterings of the crowd, I want to hear your voice calm, assured, confident.

Our Moorfield & Story drive is coming along encouragingly. The interest awakened by the drive has created an interest in our Junior Court.

Perhaps our Childrens' Magazine may not always be only a dream.

My very hearty congratulations upon the success of "The Crisis".

With all good wishes I remain,

Yours truly,

Carrie W. Clifford.

2/14/28

May 1, 1918.

Mrs. Carrie W. Clifford,
1944 Ninth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Clifford:

2/16/90

I know and appreciate your kindly interest and faith in my work. That, however, entails the very unfortunate duty of submitting now and then to my judgment when it does not agree with yours.

I regard the Ballou memorandum as the mistake of a friend rather than the insult of an enemy; hence my comment.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

298 W. Poplar Ave
Columbus, Ohio
July 22 - 1918

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois.

Dear friend:

What is all this row about?

8/13/82

The "Defender" has a scare-head article that has caused me some concern.

Trust that it is all a "tempest in a tea-pot."

I hope you will go on to the realization of all your desires in spite of the criticisms of the envious.

Be assured of the faith and love of all your good friends.

We believe in your unflinching loyalty and fidelity.

With all good wishes

Carrie N. Clifford

July 26, 1918.

Mrs. C. W. Clifford,
298 W. Poplar Avenue,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Clifford,

Dr. DuBois is now out of town on his vacation, but I have sent him a copy of your letter and beg to thank you for it.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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2/13/101 [J.H. CLIFFORD]

MAR 5 1918

Martinsburg, W. Va., Feby 21, 1918.

FEB 25 1918

Dear Dr. Du Bois:— It is seldom I write you, but of all living men, I admire you most. Sick as you were, it's more than likely, you never saw my editorial in your worth to the Negro people. To have died at that crucial period, God only knows the hardship and back-set it would have been to us all. I am surprised at Smith, Mrs. Barnett & a few others. Don't let it bother you — dead fish never muddy water. While I believe man's life is in his own hands, I do believe that good, useful men's lives in communities, is God's opportunity to lengthen.

All hail to your 50th birth day — may you see fifty more roll round.

For enclosed check, send the invaluable Crisis, to my son, J. Paul Clifford, 13 East Simpson St., Menchanicsburg, Pa.

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With love from me & mine, I am, Yours

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FEB 26 1918

P.S. I have been sick since last of Sept. Had to stop my paper. Am better & hope to resume publication before very long. You know we old Grand Army fellows can never be real well, but we can be full of ambition & do till the last.

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March 12, 1918.

Mr. J. R. Clifford,
Martinsburg, W. Va.

My dear Mr. Clifford:

I appreciate very deeply your kind words and am sorry to know that you have been sick. I hope that this will find you much better.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Washington, D.C. Feb. 23, 1918.

Back to D. Desk

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois.,

New York.

2/13/83

My Dear Professor:

Enclosed please find my check for the sum of Two Dollars for two subscriptions to the Crisis to be sent to the parties below;

MAR 5 1918

✓ Miss Elizabeth Vollow, #542 East 12th St. Wilmington, Del.

✓ Mr. Bernett Booker, #1536 Tea St. N.W. Washington, D.C.

Please accept my congratulations on the successful management of the best publication that our people have to day. May you have continued success and prosperity, as many more birthdays, and God's blessings upon you and family is the prayer of one of your old Wilberforce students.

2 SUBSCRIPTIONS

Very truly yours,

Jefferson S. Coage

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FEB 26 1918

W.E.B. Sent

[J. B. Coleman] (Did not write)

Havre Montana.
Dec 28, — 18.

JAN 10 1919

Box. 602.

Mr. W. E. B. Dubois. And. Business Manager of The Crisis.

Kind sirs, learning through your most valuable organ the Crisis, that you are interested Concerning the doings among Colored people.

I am therefore sending for your Consideration the achievement of a Western girl and trust you will kindly note the same in the Crisis also that her many friends may learn of her ambition striving as follows.

Miss Viola Spaulding a former resident of Havre Montana has successfully passed civil service examination at Reno Nevada.

and she expects to accept a position with the government soon. Miss Viola Spaulding is the daughter of Samuel T. & Mrs Georgia Spaulding pioneers of Havre, Mont. The Spaulding owns a valuable ranch 4 miles from Havre along side the Great Northern Transcontinental R.R. Miss Viola Spaulding is a graduate of Havre High school and of Polytechnic business College of Oakland Calif her success is pleasing news to many friends. Her sister Lorena is simply happy as she assisted in making it possible for her achievement. Miss Lorena is also a thrifty young woman of the race owns a valuable ranch along side her mothers Miss Lorena is a Musician and hair dresser.

3/4/23

Please publish this and if there any charges please notify me by returned mail also enclose find money order for $1.00 to cusis

Miss Lorena Spaulding

Box. 602.

Havre Montana

We have rec'd the photograph of Miss Spaulding & thank you for your interest in our work. Kindly let us know when Miss S is given a position with a more detailed & definite statement of her examination & work.

{COLLEGIATE CLUB}

FEB 25 1918

Room 400, Odd Fellows Building,
Atlanta, Ga., Feb., 20, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
New York City.

Dear Doctor:-

We, the undersigned, members of the Collegiate Club, are glad to have this opportunity to extend to you our hearty congratulations upon having attained your fiftieth birthday. Pleasant memories of your visit to our city and to our Club still linger with us.

We are enclosing herewith one dollar ($1.00), the same being our annual subscription to the Crisis. We are delighted to be able to initiate our subscription on your birthday.

We trust that both you and the Crisis will have many more years of usefulness.

Sincerely yours,

J. C. Ross.
H. Colvogman, D.D.S.
Harry H. Pace
W. J. Cunningham
H. H. Cunningham
T. J. Gibson
Walter F. White
W. H. Haynes
E. J. McKelle
D. J. Prince D.D.S.

March 5, 1918.

Mr. J. C. Ross,
Room 400, Odd Fellows Bldg.,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Sir:

I beg to extend to Messrs. Crogman, Pace, W. Cunningham, H. H. Cunningham, Gibson, White, Haynes, Mitchell, and Grimes, members of the Collegiate Club, my deep appreciation of their kind greetings on my birth day.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

[Colored Board of Trade]

Miami, Fla.,

Feb 20, 1918.

D. W. Burghardt Du Bois,
Editor "The Crisis",
New York City.

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Dear Dr. Du Bois:

On this your fiftieth anniversary, let us in this distant city of the Land of Flowers count ourselves among your large circle of friends and admirers. Though personally unknown to you we are at least your friends, and we count it a privilege to join others elsewhere in congratulating you upon this notable day in your career. You have put all your fellowmen and those of your race especially under obligation for your splendid championing of the cause of the oppressed and the rights of humanity. We sincerely wish you many happy returns of your natal day.

The Colored Board of Trade,
R. A. Powers, President.

February 28, 1918.

Mr. R. A. Powers,
c/o The Colored Board of Trade,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your letter of February 20, and wish to thank the Colored Board of Trade for their hearty congratulations.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

[COLORED TEACHER]

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The Colored Teacher

A National Educational Journal
Wilberforce, Ohio

F. A. McGinnis, Editor

March 5, 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Editor, The Crisis,

Dear Sir:

I wish to congratulate you upon your fiftieth anniversary. It is needless to say that those of us who have the welfare of the race at heart wish for you, yet, many years of the kind of service that you have been wont to render. I read the "Shadow of Years" with much pleasure. Indeed, you have had many things for which to be thankful.

A few days ago, I sent some copies of The Colored Teacher for your inspection. We would like to have a word from you as to what you think of our publication. The Crisis has been a great help to us in getting it before the public, as we consistently advertised in it for more than a year. We will appreciate any "favorable" mention of The Colored Teacher in your columns. If you think it worthless, tell us how we may improve it. At any rate let us have a word from you concerning it.

Thanking you in advance for any consideration which you may give the matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

F. A. McGinnis

[COLORED TEACHER]

18-23

March 13, 1918.

Mr. W. A. McGinnis,
c/o The Colored Teacher,
Wilberforce, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words.

I have received copies of THE COLORED TEACHER and shall be glad to mention it in some future number of THE CRISIS.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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December 17th, 1918.

The Crisis Publishing Company,
New York City, N. Y.

Gentlemen:-

One of the most significant meetings that have been held recently, was the Conference of the Southern Division of the War Camp Community Service held in Jacksonville Fla., December 11 - 14. In this conference the colored and white delegates sat in a joint body for four days, exchanging ideas, matching wits and working in almost perfect accord.

On the first day of the conference, the colored delegates were introduced publicly to the whole body, and were each asked to tell their native state, school they had attended and degrees held. It appeared to be a huge joke to some of the white men before the delegates started, but when they found out that these men in this conference were from the foremost colleges in the country and held degrees of recognized standing, the attitude was completely changed, and the white delegates who were to have done the same thing, asked that they be not called upon, because they would be embarassed after hearing of the caliber of the colored delegates.

Note Book of Talks on Negro Music

A committee was appointed to draw out the 10 high spots of the conference and set them on record for distribution through out the country. The first one of these high spots was an acknowledgement of the sterling qualities of the men engaged in War Camp Community Service work and the spirit of fraternization which had been brought home to every man present at that meeting.

In view of the extensive program planned by the War Camp Community Service to be put in operation over the entire country in a very short while, and the fact that the men present at this conference represented the leading spirits who are to carry out the program in the Southern Division, we believe this to be of singular importance and far-reaching in its effects.

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The colored delegates numbering 19 in all effected an organization among themselves to keep in closer individual contact with each others work, and as secretary of this body, of men, I have been asked to make this small report to you and say that we have a cut made of the colored delegates of the conference which we should like to have published in your next issue. If you will do me the kindness to write me at your earliest moment and let me know just what the publishing of this picture will cost (for it probably will cover a whole page) not for advertisement, but for public information and inspiration, I will appreciate it very highly, and send to you the cut at once.

I shall expect an immediate reply .

Yours very truly,

Jasper T. Duncan
Special Assistant
War Camp Community Service.

JTD/TME.

Dec 27
Do we want this cut? Yes

We should like very much to have a photograph if possible of the delegates mentioned in your letter of Dec 17. There will be no charge for its insertion, as only the advertising pages of The Crisis are paid for.

Thank you for your interest & co-op in our work.

C. W. COMAGOR, General Manager
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514 MINNESOTA AVENUE

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Kansas City, Kansas February, 25th, 1918.

Back to Du Bois

The Hon. Dr. W.E.B.DuBois.

#70 Fifth Avenue,

New York,N.Y.

Dear sir;-

I desire at this time to express my congratulations to you on your arrival of your fiftieth birthdaay. May your remaining years be as successful as those gone before and may you ever stand out as the foremost man of the race, standing for the principles of right and manhood regardless of color.

Said above mentioned occasion was celebrated with the greatest of felicity on last Sunday at our Forum here with a record assembly attending. Prof. A. Gregg,of Western University, president of the local Branch of The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, delivered an eloquent address on your life and work.

The occasion brought to us several new members to our local branch and we are still struggling to out strip all other branches.in membership. Here is hoping that the membership of the Association will mount the hundred thousand mark this year.

From the increase of the numbers of the Crisis issued last year and the number of new branches of the Association established it is seenily that the people are awakening to the great work that the Association and the Crisis is doing.

I am very anxious to see the circulation of the Crisis increased and I would like to suggest this plan if it would meet your approval. I would like to see the Crisis in all the state capitals,county seats,churches and lodge halls thru out the country, if the same could be done without too much expenditure,I beleive it add a lot to,our work and bring about a better feeling between the two races and especially those who stand for free democracy to all mankind.The reason I make mention of this is because I meet so many people thru my travels and especially white people thru out the country, who do not know of the organization or the Crisis. I am convinced of this fact, when the cold hearted white person who does not beleive in justice to all man kind. when he picks up the Crisis and sees what good white people that we have joined with us, he will be inclined to have a change of heart and join the organization of right and justice to all mankind.

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Kansas City, Kansas _____ 191__

We have been very successful in our city and state of getting some of the best officials to join in this fight and help us. Governor Capper who is president of the Topeka Branch and who is always ready and willing to come to our rescue and see to it that each and all of us in Kansas gets a square deal as an American Citizen, in my seventeen years of residency in Kansas, I think he is the biggest and broadest man and has been our best freind and we are trying our best to send him to the Senate this year and we feel if he gets there we will always have a freind who will champion our cause and will not be taken advantage of by our enemies. I wish to speak of a few more of our big hearted and braad minded men in Kansas City, Kansas, two of whom have been in our organization for the last two; Judge Keplinger and C.Brokaw, Vice President of the Commercial National Bank, who, have always came to our rescue when we needed them. Also our Mayor, H.A.Mendhall, who became a new member last Sunday is our stanch freind. Messrs. Beggs and Lillle, our commissioners joined our organization. Mr. Mendahall is also president of The Minnesota Ave. State Bank. Messrs. Keplinger, Brokaw and Mendahall are men who have stood out flat footed against segregation and always champion the rights of all man kind regardless of creed, color or kind. I make mention of these men because they are the kind of men who we are trying to get into our branch here in Kansas City, Kansas. I beleive when we get such men as I have mentioned and such men as you have in your city and persons in many other cities of men who stand for rights for all man kind, I beleive then that the time will not be very far off when we come into our own and have free democracy to all man kind. And that is all we want or ask for.

Enclosed please find money order for two dollars as subscription price for two crisis. To be sent to Lee Patton, #535 New Jersey Ave. Kansas City, Kansas; L.W.Spencer, #1818 Tracy Ave, Kansas City, Missouri.

Wishing sucess in life and hoping that you will be able to celebrate your hundredth anniversary.

I am,

cordially yours,

C. W. Comagor

#417 Nebraska Ave. Kansas City, Kansas.

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March 6, 1918.

Mr. C. W. Conagor,
417 Nebraska Avenue,
Kansas City, Kansas.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words and for the excellent work that you are doing in Kansas City. I am glad to know that we have such staunch friends there.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 - 5th Ave,
New York City.

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My dear Dr. Du Bois:- Will you state to me for my information the result of the Co operation Meeting of the 26th 27 mentioned in this months Crisis? And will you give me the address of the co-operating agencies or societies as advocated by you?

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I am trying to get our fall work planned and will greatly appreciate any information rendered.

With very best wishes for you and yours, I am,

Cordially yours,

C. W. Banton

1826-11th St. N W.

[COMMERCIAL STUDY CLUB]

September 23, 1918.

Mr. C. W. Panton,
1826 Eleventh St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

The result of our meeting in New York was the formation of the Negro Co-operative Guild. The object of this Guild is first to study co-operation, secondly, to start co-operative stores and thirdly, to combine these into manufacturing and importing establishments.

8/13/48

Mr. Lane, 502 T Street, Washington, D. C., is secretary for the District of Columbia. Through him we want to furnish all organizations with literature on co-operation at cost.

I am enclosing you some samples. Could not your club take up the study of co-operation with these and other books during the next year so as to get a clear idea of just the kind of store we want to establish? I shall be glad to hear from you at your convenience.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Feb. 19, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

70 Fifth Ave.,

New York, City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

This is just a line to congratulate you upon arriving at your fiftieth milestone and to wish for you many more years of work and pleasure.

In this time of the"Crisis"of our race we can ill afford to lose our leader. There is no one even near enough equipped to take his place.

With the best wishes for you, Yolande and Mrs DuBois in this your new year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Dadie E. Conyers

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March 6, 1918.

Miss Sadie E. Conyers,
St. Athanasius School,
Brunswick, Georgia.

Dear Sadie Conyers:

I am so glad to hear from you and I thank you for your kind words. I do not like your being lost way down in Brunswick. Do you ever try to escape?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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[COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION] 1919 Coop pl *

PROPOSED SCHEME OF CO-OPERATION AMONG AMERICAN NEGROES.

A committee shall be formed to be known as the Negro Cooperative Guild, consisting, at present, of chairman, corresponding secretary and stale secretaries. This committee should

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2. Beginning with February, 1919, an annual conference on co-operation should be held. It shall take place in some center where matters are fairly ripe for the beginning of a chain of cooperative stores.

The conference should consist of pageantry, lectures, group-meetings in churches and lodges, moving-pictures, plays, parades, etc. designed to gather immediately a large group of cooperators with capital paid in.

During the ensuing year every effort will be made to make the experiment successful in the initial center and to work up the study and preparation for the movement in other centers.

The second year another city should be selected for launching another set of cooperative stores, and so on until the centers of Negro population are organized.

Meantime, the central committee will begin to reorganize itself into a committee of organization, inspection, insurance against local failure, dishonesty, etc. and planning for wholesale effort, manufacturing and foreign trade to link the individual stores together.

From the beginning the financial objects and methods shall be based on the following principles:

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(a) Low cost of administration

(b) Cash business as far as possible

(c) All profits to belong to the consumers. One-half of the net amount be pledged to work of social uplift and the other half to be divided among consumers in proportion to the amount which they purchase in the stores

(d) This work of social uplift shall consist of two parts

(1) Such local work as the members decide

(2) The general work under the central committee of pushing the cooperative movement and the general welfare of Negro race

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NEW YORK CITY, June 7, 1918

JUN 8 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
"The Crisis"
70 Fifth Ave.
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Dear Dr. DuBois:

Several months ago you were kind enough to answer a request of mine for an article from you for the Co-operative Consumer by inviting me to renew this request sometime during the first of June. Consequently, I am now writing to ask you whether you won't help the Co-operative Consumer, and through it the Co-operative Movement in general, by giving us an article on the Negro and Consumers' Co-operation. An article of any length, even of the very briefest, will be much appreciated.

We would be most grateful to have it at any time that is convenient for you. The material for the August number should be in my hands by July 5th; for the September number by August 5th., etc.

Cordially yours,

E. Ralph Cheyney

Publicity Director

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[CO-OPERATIVE LEAGUE OF AMERICA]

August 20, 1918.

Dr. James P. Warbasse,
384 Washington Avenue,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

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My dear Dr. Warbasse:

I am holding a small conference on cooperation among colored people in my office August 26 and 27. Can you spare us an hour on one of those two days to talk with us informally? What experts in cooperation would you recommend me also to invite?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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NEW YORK CITY,

Woods Hole, Mass., Aug. 22, 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
The Crisis,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York.

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Dear Dr. DuBois:

I shall be in New York at the office of the League on the 26th., and shall be glad to attend a meeting at your office to discuss co-operative organization among the colored people. Please leave word at the League office as to the time when you would desire my attendance.

Most of the co-operators are out of town just now. If you will call at the office, Miss DeSelding will be able to tell you who is available.

With sincere regards,

Yours truly,

J Warbasse

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NEW YORK CITY, Sept.18,1918

The Crisis,
70 -- 5th Ave.
New York.

Dear Mr. DuBois:-

We have sent your order for books to England. It may be some time before you receive them, and if you wish to borrow any books that we have here in the office we shall be most happy to loan them,one or two at a time. We have not all you have asked for. Could you not step in the office some day and see what we have?

Very truly yours,

Co-operative League of America

Room 932

M.W.Cheel.

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COME TO THE NATIONAL CO-OPERATIVE CONVENTION SPRINGFIELD - ILL. SEPT. 25-27 1918 THE CO-OPERATIVE LEAGUE OF AMERICA — NEW YORK

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PHILADELPHIA, PA. Feb. 7 1918

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My dear Dr Du Bois:

With all my heart I wish you a very happy birthday, and the happy return of many more. For however "sure" you may be that you shall "enjoy death," I cherish the thought, that God has had a very distinct purpose in Your life. Coming down to the end in His own good time, He may vouchsafe you a vision, so clear and definite, of the way He has led and why, that your greatest joy will be found in the realization of the fact that He does lead, and that He did lead you.

Very sincerely yours

L. J. Coppin

February 9, 1918.

Rev. L. J. Coppin,
1913 Bainbridge Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words of February 7.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

MEMORANDUM TO THE SECRETARY AND DIRECTOR OF THE MUSIC

CONCERNING THE MATTER OF BOOKKEEPTIN.

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Cooperation

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Honesdale Pa-
Oct 31 - 16.

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Dear Sir being interested in a plan of cooperation and its possibilities when applyed to both the consumer and producer. I humbly submit the following in reply to your request of novembers issue.
as an expression I would suggest a committee or body. that should be qualified to act in the land question. with its posibilitys. changing first a enviorment that has and always will make us a subject people. it would afford a field of developments in other posibilities or industries. such as time may offer.
Land being the source of all wealth. we could controle in a greater degree our own destiny.
Cooperation in industry and production would give us a advantage over cooperation in consumption.

Edmer Lambesh.

Nov. 4, 1918

Mr. Elmer Cornbeck
Honesdale, Pa.

My dear Sir:

Cooperation and production must be based first on Consumer's Cooperation.

The experience of the world has been that if it is not, it will not be successful, even then there are certain limitations.

Cooperative farming has never succeeded. Cooperative land buying is possible and I trust we may be able to attempt it sometimes.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBDB/CF

[Coston]

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(Coston)

BRITISH EMBASSY,
WASHINGTON.

July 16th, 1918.

Sir,-

I have been requested to acknowledge your letter of July 13th, addressed to Mr. Barclay, and to thank you for your kind offer of service, which has been noted.

Yours faithfully,

Edward A. Mitchell Innes
Major

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Mr. W.H. Coston,
1302 G St., N.E.,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Louisville, Ky, Feb. 18–1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois.

My dear Sir:–

I read with pleasure your "The Shadowed Years" in the February Crisis. Let me thank you personally for your work for the race and wish for you reward for toil and sunshine for shadow. Ere your life-flame flicker and flare and fade in the glare of a perfect day.

Please to accept the enclosed tribute for your 50th birthday.

230 Magazine St.

Respectfully,

Joseph S. Cotter.

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2/14/27

To Dr. W.E.B.DuBois
On his 50th Birthday.

Our race shall banish hate and conquer wrong,
And drain joy's chalice, age to age deferred,
Becuase thy Ken is sure, thy heart is strong,
And " Souls of Black Folk " hurls the thunder-word.

Joseph S. Cotter.

February 25, 1918.

Mr. Joseph S. Cotter,
2306 Magazine Street,
Louisville, Kentucky.

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My dear Sir:

I appreciate your kind words and little poem on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/ORB.

February 5, 1918

Mr. William I. Cousins,
17 Ashland Street,
Haverhill, Massachusetts.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words of January 30.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Hon. Dr. Du Bois

Sir:- Yours timely

favor enclosed one

dollar $1.00. for the

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commencing March

as we have already

purchased February

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THIS SPACE FOR CORRESPONDENCE

Louisville, Ky. Feb. 15, 1918.

Certainly did enjoy reading "The Shadow of years," it is quite an inspiration to me and by such inspirations I am expecting to make good, after finishing college. I wish you continued success also wish you might live another 50 years. "Hominus Vobiscum"

Yours an admirer,
W. H. Craighead Jr.
3408 Kirby ave. Louisville, Ky.

THIS SPACE FOR ADDRESS

FEB 18 1918

To

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois.
Editor of "The Crisis".
70 Fifth Ave.
New York, N. Y.

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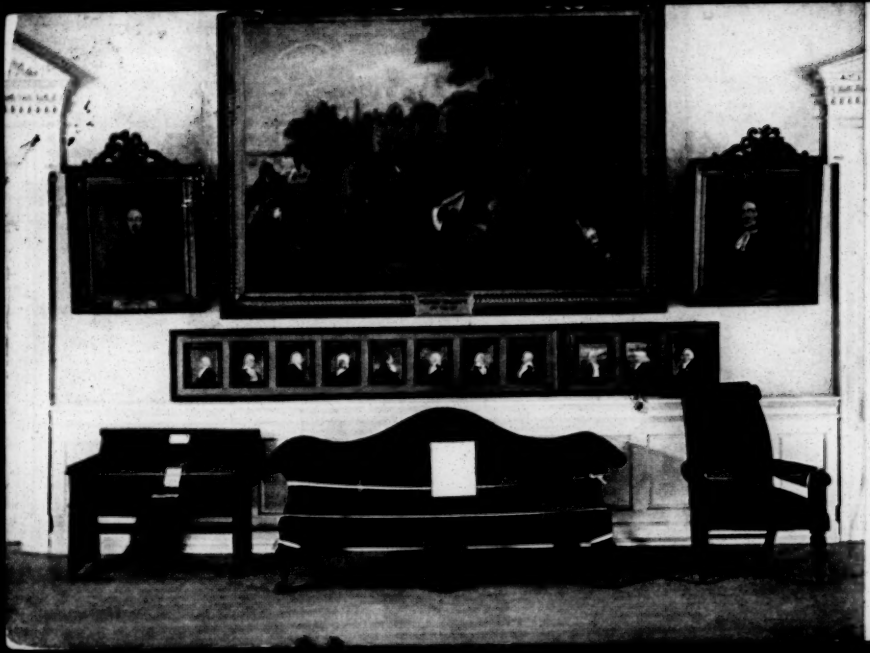
May these little Violets
bring Joy to You on
this Your Birthday.

Dr. Du Bois
FEB 13 1918



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Banquet Hall

Showing
Washington's pew
from Christ Church
the sofa used by
him while Presi-
dent, the chair used
by Chief Justice
John Jay, and a
group of portraits of
celebrated men of
the Revolutionary
period

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February 21, 1918.

Mr. W. H. Craighead, Jr.,
3408 Kirby Avenue,
Louisville, Kentucky.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind words of February 15.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/ORE.

The New
REPUBLIC
421 West 21st Street
New York City

February 13, 1918.

Mr. Herbert Croly regrets that he will be unable to attend the dinner given at the Civic Club on Monday, February 25th, at seven o'clock.

Mr. John R. Shillady,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

1815 - 13th St. N.W.
Washington D.C.
Nov 20th 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Editor The Crisis
New York,
N. Y.

My dear Dr. Du Bois

In response to your inquiry concerning University people who might be interested in helping you collect data for the N.A.A.C.P. please see the enclosed list.

Cordially yours
Mary Cromwell

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LOS ANGELES, CAL., Feby 18th 1918,

Prof W. E. B. DuBois,
70. 5th Ave.
New York. N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

It is a pleasure to me to tender you hearty congratulations on your 50th anniversary. You are engaged in a great work in the publication of the Crisis. I say great because it is effective and the highest type of journalism we have ever had at home or abroad, My prayer is that you may live many years to come and that in addition to loyal racemen you may receive the hearty cooperation that your work deserve,

Again congratulating you,

Respectfully

F. H. Crumbly,

2/24/24

We get the Crisis every month from Local Agent

March 9, 1918.

Mr. F. H. Crumbly,
785 San Pedro Street,
Los Angeles, California.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your hearty congratulations on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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My dear Du Bois:— 767

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Please find enclosed a dollar for renewal of subscription to The Crisis.

You are doing a noble work and my hope is that many more years may be vouchsafed you.

Congratulations and best wishes for 50 more yrs.

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L. N. Cummings
6554 Champlain Ave

March 13, 1918.

Mr. L. W. Cummins,
6554 Champlain Avenue,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your congratulations and good wishes on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRE.

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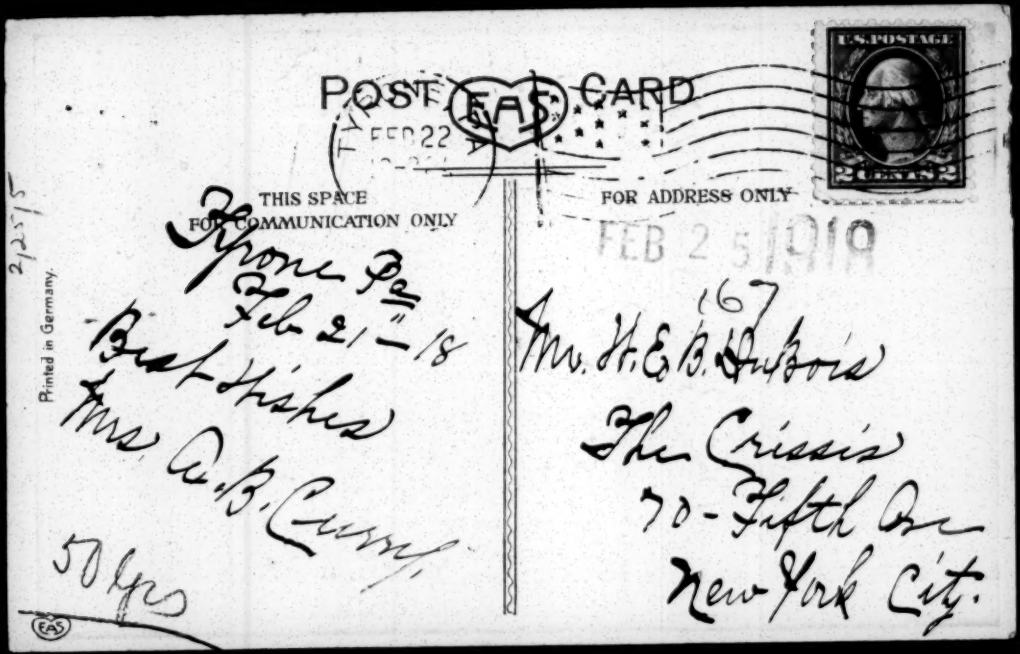
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Best Wishes
Mrs W. B. Curry
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Mr. W. E. B. DuBois
The Crisis
70 - Fifth Ave
New York City.

A BIRTHDAY
PRAYER
I pray that as the years increase
God gives to you His perfect peace

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February 27, 1918.

Mrs. A. B. Curry,
Tyrone, Pennsylvania.

Dear Madam:

I appreciate very much your greeting on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,,
New York, City.
My Dear Friend:-

This letter is to extend personal greetings and congratulation to you on your "Fiftieth Birthday."

You have rendered a great service to the race in the past and I trust you may be blessed with many years to come for the continuation of your excellent work, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,,

E. W. B. Curry. President.

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March 6, 1918.

Mr. E. W. B. Curry,
Curry Normal & Industrial Institute,
Urbana, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate your encouraging words in your letter of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Cincinnati, Ohio, February 23, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear "Doc":--

Many congratulations, for your successful arrival at the 50th milestone of life. Considering the way you have lived, the remarkable longevity you have exhibited is either a grand tribute to your vitality, or to the mercy of an ever-watchful Providence.

I would respectfully suggest, in view of your inestimable value to the cause of humanity, that your future career be characterized by more moderation in the fields of mental and other activities. As there is a limit to human endurance, there may also be limitations to Divine mercy. Verbum Sap.

Hoping that the quotation is correct, as well as apropos, kindly remember, as yours with best wishes for another and happier half-century,

W. J. Dabney

P. S. Will send as a symbol of my esteem - a pint of wine, champagne of course, for the juice of the Vine of the Rhine would be inappropriate, would, in short, savor of disloyalty.

"Let us moisten the Sands of this life with good wine,
So they will linger and not run so fast,
There'll be more time to think, of old friends and to drink,
To Sweethearts we've known in the past."

March 1, 1918.

My dear Dabney:

Thank you very much for your kind words. I am living in hopes of a moistening.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Mr. W. P. Dabney,
420 McAllister Street,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

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502 Worcester Ave.,
Pasadena Calif.,
Feb. 20th 1918.

Prof. W. E. B. Du Bois;
Editor, Crisis - N. Y.

Dear Editor:

Your Jubilee Number cannot be excelled. For concise and compact solid facts, there is no other magazine can near approach it. I have always been

interested in some plan ~~plass~~, whereby, our side of the question could be put before the public in such terse language, that; "He who runs may read". To that end you admirably surpasses our expectation.

Being limited my-self from a literary standpoint: because of the poor chance, only a Mother to help me in my aspirations.

My father, (while) although a bachelor and three of us, never spent one dollar for clothes or our education. However I being the only girl, my mother had placed great confidence in my rising above the average. If she had, had proper support I too, might have been able to have used my pen in a measure in which you so admirably use yours.

However I am content to bid you God's speed and may you live long to continue the good work which you have begun.

That you shall be privileged

to live to see Democracy in America extended especially as it should apply to the Colored race. Very few observers can put much credence to America's Democracy even across the Sea's, when they read daily occurances, where by one tenth of her population live under a restricted democracy.

When she says, "sit here", "stop there," this "Compartment for Negroes." "No Negroes served." "Negroes not wanted." this confronts one out of every ten of her population.

Not content with this, a California Congregational minister's son spent two days, "Somewhere in France" making a dummy black Senegalese soldier, with hinged jaws, to entertain the French soldier during the Xmas holidays

It must have been a strenuous job to convince the French, how similar the American's interpretations of Southern dialect with that of French black colonies, when

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most scholars know that the Senegals speak French, besides their own language, if they have any training. They must have felt very much ashamed that their instructions had failed so completely. Of course those of us who are keen observers saw in this, a chance to introduce race prejudice.

The American brand of the rankest sort. America has simply lost her head on "psychological effect." Perhaps the Germans would have long ere whipped and begging for mercy, if we would put less stress on this one thing. It works well in America, because of our receptive minds. We like new and thrilling episodes. If they lynch and burn Negroes in the South, we must out do them in the North, by even a greater spectacular, say, East St. Louis for example. But in this American's

soldiers propaganda it-
may not work so readily.
Emma Goldman, says
should America democracy
succeeds, We would soon
see these signs such as are mentioned,
in Petrograd and Paris.
God forbid. Perhaps I have
digressed to much. I meant
to congratulate you your
fiftieth birth day, and pen
my appreciation for the
wonderful work you are
doing. May God speed
the day when your
irridecent dreams come
true. Yours for that happy day.
Mrs Mary B. Danley.

March 2, 1918.

Mrs. Mary B. Danley,
502 Worcester Avenue,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your kind letter.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Dept. History 251 memo - no add
In Dr Dubois's absence
I beg to thank you for your
cooperation in the work of the
Negro in the Great
War

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE
HANOVER, N. H.
Committee on War Aims Course

Dec. 17, 1918

My dear Professor Du Bois:

In reply to your enquiry regarding colored men who might help in compiling a history of the American Negro in the World War, I should strongly recommend a former pupil who took department honors in history and graduated with very high rank from Dartmouth, Ernest Everett Just, of class of 1907 Dartmouth, now professor in Howard University Washington, D.C. In 1915 Address List his address is 2403 8th St. Washington, D.C. Just (as you will remember) received the Spingarn medal. He has taken I think his doctor's degree from Chicago in Biology. He is a brillian and reliable man, with a well trained scientific mind and would do a piece of historical work with care and with that fairness which is so absolutely essential to any historical or any work relating to a race question. He learned with me to get the evidence first before drawing conclusions and then to think not merely feel.

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Two others who have been suggested to me but of whose historical training I cannot speak are John Wesley Cromwell Jr, 1815 13th st Washington, D.C.; Wilder Percival Montgomery, 1313 Riggs St, Washington D.C., both graduates of Dartmouth, with I am told high standing, in class of 1908. Montgomery I think was a son of another Dartmouth man, probably Winfield Scott Montgomery '78 of 1912 11th St. Washington. All of these men are teachers.

I suggest your asking Just about the availability of all three of these men, and of any others he may know in Washington, for your purpose. He was in college one year later than Cromwell and Montgomery and would know about them and the Montgomery father and other Dartmouth men. I have a very high regard for Just.

It is certainly a desirable thing to record the history of the American negro in the war and I wish you success. I trust you will give proper place to the element of humor in the war, the various sayings, songs, and doings of the negro. Such things are worth recording as aid to the human quality of the record

Yours sincerely James Herbert Darling Foster

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December 18, 1918

Mr. Herbert D. Foster,
Dartmovth College,
Hanover, N. H.

My dear Mr. Foster:

Dr. Du Bois sailed for France, December 1, on a special ship, "The Orizaba," along with a distinguished number of newspaper men.

2/22/15

Dr. Du Bois will represent The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and THE CRISIS at the Peace Conference. He will also summon a Pan-African Conference, to meet at Paris, and press the question of the African colonies.

In Dr. Du Bois's absence, I beg to thank you for your interest and cooperation in the History of the Negro in the Great War.

Very sincerely yours,

MGA/CF

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How We Burghardt & W Bois.
#70 Fifth ave
N. Y. City

My dear Mr Dubois

Allow me, on this your ~~fiftieth birthday~~ to congratulate you on the successful achievement of the Crisis, (the peer of all periodicals published in behalf of Colored people.)

Although I have not at all times agreed with you, some of your writing have set me to thinking, the article "We should worry" ~~printed sometime back~~ was; if I am allowed to use slang, ("a whang".)

I am beginning life anew here in Chicago, having given up my P.O position in N.O in august '17. I hope to accomplish the task of doing in pictures what you have been able to execute in editorials.

Wishing you much success in the future I beg to remain,

Yours most truly

H Geo Davenport

February 28, 1918.

Mr. H. Geo. Davenport,
3415 Prairie Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Davenport:

I thank you for your kind words concerning the CRISIS, and for your good wishes on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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Feb. 21, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois, 25

70 5th Ave.,

New York City.

My dear Doctor Dubois:

I am heartily glad that the past fifty years have gone. I am delighted that with their passage, it has given occasion for the Jubilee Number of the Crisis in honor of its editor. I am more delighted that it claims an anniversary of your birth on which I hardly know whether to congratulate you, ourselves, or the period of fifty years gone --- for we all are fortunate. I certainly am glad for the very interesting information which it has given us about yourself. One seldom likes to impose on friends to the extent of asking some questions, but I judge that there are many of your friends, like myself, who have wanted to know many of the things contained in your brief but romantic autobiography in the February issue of the Crisis, but who, like myself, hesitated to invade the privacy and seclusion with which you seemed to have surrounded yourself; of course, this was only seeming, because behind the veil your intimates saw the real man and might have availed themselves of the information for the asking. I think, however, that the gratuitous denouement has been a relief to us: we got it and did not have to ask for it. I am uncertain as to whether to say time forced it or your good nature simply let it out.

There should be to you, as I know it is to a number of your friends, a source of very great consolation to feel that in the fifty years which you now celebrate you have made a hearty

contribution to the real manliness of the race, its real scholarship, its real virile force, and that if within the period whatever else you might have done should be entirely lost sight of, The Crisis would to my mind give you a claim to eminence which posterity would hesitate to question. Of course I have such a long ways to go before I can celebrate my fiftieth anniversary that it would be useless for me at this time to wish to emulate you when I shall celebrate that auspicious occasion in the right to lay claim on the future for such a contribution as the Crisis, but I am contenting myself with the thought that "I am young yet" and no one may tell just what I may do.

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Seriously, with the admiration of years that I have felt for you personally, it is a privilege to be one among the number of your admirers who would extend to you congratulations, and the pleasure is greater, because of the fact that you live and will be conscious of the good things we may say just as much as you have been all those things which have been said of you which have not always been in the same vein.

Again, permit me to congratulate you and those nearest to you in Mrs. Dubois and Miss Yolande on your birthday and the race and the period which has moulded and shapened you for this jubilee.

Very sincerely and truly yours,

Stanley J. Davidson

Army Y. M. C. A.,
Camp Dix Br.,
Trenton, N. J.

March 2, 1918.

Mr. Shelby J. Davidson,
Army Y. M. C. A.,
Camp Dix Br., Trenton, N. J.

My dear Mr. Davidson,

I appreciate your kind words of encouragement and wish you all success.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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Many happy returns of the day.
Come to see me Confirmed at St. Monica's in Phila. March 8th.
Sincerely Alice

1314-W. 46th St. Phila. Pa.

Dr. Wm. E. B. DuBois
70 Fifth Ave.
New York,
City

With best wishes
for
a Happy Birthday

February 27, 1918.

Miss Alice Davis,
1314 W. Forty-Sixth Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Alice:

I have your letters and card. I am turning over the business matters to Mr. Dill. He will write you.

I am coming to Philadelphia to speak Monday night, March 4. Let me know when and where I shall see you. With best love.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

[B. J. DAVIS]

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June 24, 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, (Personal)
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Doctor:

One thing I am proud of, doctor, is that our conference gave me an opportunity to meet you and know you better. I have not thought very well of you heretofore simply because I did not know you. Every day that I was in your presence, you grew in my estimation, and I am pleased to inform you of the opportunity I had to study the man and to learn to love him. If I can be of any service to you in any way, and I regard your work as a public service, command me.

If you remember, you promised to send me a copy of the December, 1916, Crisis, if I would write you personally. There are some matters in that issue, which will be of assistance to me in the preparation of an article. I think that is the copy I desire.

Very cordially,

BJD/LRL.

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June 28, 1918.

Mr. B. J. Davis,
200 Auburn Avenue,
Atlanta, Ga.

2/13/89

My dear Mr. Davis:

I thank you for your kind words.

I am enclosing you herewith a copy of the December, 1916, CRISIS which I hope contains what you wish.

With best regards,

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Zuni N. Mex. Feb. 27th, 1918.

Dr. W. E. Burghardt DuBois,

New York, N. Y.,

Dear Doctor DuBois:-

It ceratinly gives me inexpressible pleasure to congratulate you on your fiftieth anniversary. Ever since my student days at Fisk, where I first learned of your brilliant scholarship, I have watched, with intense interest and pride, your steady advancement up to the present where you stand today one of the greatest leaders our race has produced. In you I find a personification of the possibilities of the Negro race. What your brilliant mind has accomplished, that of other black boys will equal and even surpass when the chance for untrammeled self-expression presents itself. Your achievements have refuted the charge of our detractors, that we are incapable of sustained effort or marked scholastic attainments.

That you have devoted and are still devoting your brilliant faculties to aiding in bringing about a true emancipation of the race from the iniquitous slavery of race prejudice is a fact which brings joy to every Negro heart. Gross manifestations of racial prejudice are evident to all, but it requires astuteness to be able to dis-sever the gold from the dross when they present themselves in the subtle forms of pharasaic benevolence. In performing this function the Crisis has been pre-eminently successful.

God has spared you to behold this great nation in travail; may He not only permit you to witness the new birth, but rather may He grant you length of days that you may enjoy, to a ripe old age, the freedom of a democracy made democratic by having passed through the crucible of war.

Yours with highest esteem,

Edward J. Davis,

March 13, 1918.

Mr. Edward J. Davis,
Dept. of the Interior U. S. Indian Service,
Zuni, New Mexico.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your encouraging words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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JOHN W. DAVIS
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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March 2, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 5th Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Your living thus far has been a blessing to humanity. Live on. Accept my congratulations.

Sincerely yours,

John W. Davis

JWD/WFC

March 6, 1918.

Mr. John W. Davis,
1816 Twelfth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Mr. Davis:

I appreciate very much your kind words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Cornwell S.C.
Jan. 30 1918

Dr DuBois,

Dear Sir—

I learn that you will Celibrate your fifiletty Birth—day on Feb. 23rd. So that you may live fifty more years to serve your Race people. I enclose find $1.00. for the Crisis for 1918.

Yours Truly

Rev. B. D. DeGraffinried

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February 5, 1918.

Rev. E. B. DeGraffinried,
Cornwell, South Carolina.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind words of January 30.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Ave.
N. Y.

SUBSCRIPTION
MAR 8 1918

Dear Dr. Du Bois,

Kindly
kick my
greeting to you I promised
me & perhaps has new
subscriptions for the Crisis
by Mch. 1. I've delayed
waiting for one to materialize
but I dare wait no longer.
Do your published list

I note there are no subscribers in Cuba and it gives me pleasure to send the name of Mr. Delgado, whom I taught last year & who was compeled to leave because of the last insurrection. His father an insurrecto was a General during the Spanish American war, has been both representative & senator in congress. They are greatly interested in our people and as I recommended The Crisis as the best means of obtaining accurate information.

We hope you had a happy birthday & will live to celebrate many more.

Love to Nina & Yolande.

Yours sincerely

Eva A. Nichols Knight.

Send Crisis to

Sr.

José M. Delgado

Yaguajay

Cuba.

1043 N. Beaver St.

J. ELMER DELLINGER, M. D.
~~GREENSBORO, N. C.~~
Jacksonville, Fla, [illegible]

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Feb. 23, 1918.

Dear Dr. Dubois,

This is to say that I most heartily congratulate you on this your 50th Birthday We owe you a great deal for the practical service you have done and are still doing our race in this country May you live to witness many returns of this day.

May I say that "Advancement Society" is capable of being made even more powerful for good than it now is, in my humble opinion. There is no good reason why we should not have 100.000 Members by this time another year. If we could have a State secretary - or organizer for each State I think it would not be such a formidable task. When our people are properly informed as to the nature of the work the take hold.

Very cordially yours
J. Elmer Dellinger

March 8, 1918.

Dr. J. Elmer Dellinger,
1043 W. Beaver Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Dr. Dellinger:

I appreciate very much your kind letter on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

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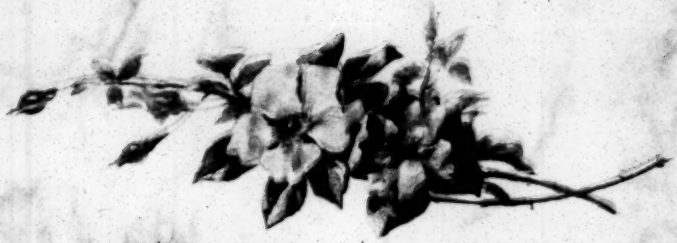

Birthday Greetings

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A short life and a merry one
I do not wish for you,
But a long life and a happy one
I most sincerely do.

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TOUSSAINT.

A shout was heard some day on Indian soil. It was a shout of despair but of rebellion too. What was it? Under the web of an Indian forest roared an African lion!

It was TOUSSAINT who at the head of a feverish herd fought to free his country and his race against oppression. In the leafy forest or over the fertile plain he demolished the power of Napoleon the Great.

It was a hard struggle, but in it the dreadful tyranny received its deathblow and fell down faint-hearted. Now two were the mighty men: one witnessed by the Alps, and that witnessed by the Andes. But the divine laws wished the slave to vanquish the vanquisher of kings.

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TOUSSAINT.

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A los cadetes de color del "Traning Camp."

Un grito se oyó un día en una tierra indiana;
Era un desesperado grito de rebelión,
Porque bajo el ramaje de una selva antillana
Un rugido lanzaba africano león.

Era Touseaint, que al frente de febril caravana
De su pueblo y su raza combatía la opresión,
Y en el bosque frondoso y en la fértil sabana
El poder derrocaba del Primer Napoleón.

En la feroz contienda, un grito de agonía
Asustada y medrosa lanzó la tiranía:
Ya eran dos los fuertes; ya eran dos los grandes;
El que vieron los Alpes y el que vieron los Andes;
Mas por la fuerza augusta de providentes leyes
Vencedor fué el esclavo del vencedor de reyes...

LUIS F. DESSUS.

Febrero de 1918.

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HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS

HELEN ELISE AND R NATHANIEL DETT.

2/14/53

March 8, 1918.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Nathaniel Dett,
Maple Cottage,
Hampton Institute,
Hampton, Virginia.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Dett:

I appreciate your kind congratulations on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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JULES-DESIRE
AVOCAT
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West-Indies.

Port. au. Prince
Rue des Casernes, 74,
February. 23th. 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Editor of the Crisis,
70 Fifth Avenue
New-York. U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Editor,

I take liberty, requested by a friend of mine, Mr. Chrysostôme Rosemond, Notary public at Port. au. Prince, to ask you please inform me about a good american college (North States more desirable than South States) where he can send his boy, 15 years old, in order to achieve his classics and to get an industrial training in modern line.

I shall be glad to receive full informations, about term and anything else and a catalog. Mr. Rosemond prefers the North of U. S, on account of the color prejudice.

Waiting the particulars, I pray you, Mr. Editor, to accept my best thanks and good wishes and I remain yours respectfully,

Jules Désiré

2/13/94

March 12, 1918.

Mr. Jules Devieux,
Port-au-Prince,
Rue des Casernes, 4,
Haiti, B. W. I.

2/13/95

My dear Sir:

I would recommend that you write to Howard University, Washington, D. C. I think this is the best school for Mr. Rosemond.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Jules Dévieux

Avocat

Haïti

Mr. Editor,

MAR - 1918

Please to accept, on the occasion of your fiftieth birthday my best compliments and hearty wishes for your good work in favor of our common cause.

Bal. du Trône. X February 15. 1918.

March 13, 1918.

Mr. Jules Devieux,
Rue des Casernes 4,
Port-au-Prince,
Haiti, W. I.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your compliments on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

HPD/GRB.

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April 19, 1918.

Rev. James R. L. Digges,
713 Mosher Street,
Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Mr. Digges:

I want to get the exact facts in the career of Giles Jackson. He is becoming to be a dangerous catspaw in the hands of the South. We must expose him. How can I get the facts?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

2/25/44

. Augustus Granville Dill wishes to extend sincere congratulations and best wishes to Dr. William Edward Burghardt Du Bois on this the fiftieth anniversary of the day of his birth and to wish for him many more years of effective service for the Negro race and for the cause of humanity.

23 February, 1918.

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March 5, 1918.

Mr. A. G. Dill,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Dill:

I appreciate your kind words on my fiftieth birthday and your presence at the dinner.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

[FROM DILLARD]

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WILLIAM F. COCHRAN
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CAMP MEADE, MD.

March 2, 1918.

My dear Mr. Dillard:

I am so sorry to hear that your cold became worse. I do trust that before long you will be feeling quite yourself again.

I am most anxious that you keep definitely in mind the possibility of visiting not only Camp Meade, but the other camps as well. In fact, I am writing to the Activities Bureau in New York, suggesting that they take up with you the question of a speaking tour, addressing two colored huts in each one of these camps the same evening. They can readily arrange such a double header if they will do so.

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I was able to help them put on a wonderful program at Camp Meade the other night, by getting Dr. Spencer and Dean Kelley Miller both the same evening and interchanging them with the two buildings. Each building had its brass band and all of their officers on hand. It was a great evening, particularly one of the brass bands under Professor Thomas being a distinctive credit. I think it was the best band I have heard in Camp. Incidentally, I had just that morning read Dr. Dubois' story of his own life written on his anniversary which enabled me more than ever to enter into the spirit of the occasion. I want to get some of you people who are definitely interested, and of whom the colored people know, to come and give us a similar treat.

Trusting to hear from you shortly, I am

Sincerely yours,

Wm. F. Cochran

Educational Director

Mr. James H. Dillard,
Box 418,
Charlottesville, Va.

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KINDLY ACCEPT THE SINCERE GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES OF

MR AND MRS C R DITON.

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March 8, 1918.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Diton,
Talladega College,
Talladega, Alabama.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Diton:

Thank you so much for your sincere greetings on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Thanks

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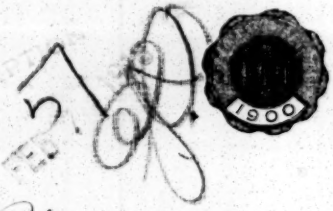

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2-5-18.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
70 fifth ave
New York N.Y.

M. DuB.

Dear Sir:
I take pleasure in sending in my renewal of Subscription to the "Crisis" and I note the statement of your birth day. Allow me to Congratulate you in your Effort of great success and say that my belief

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why God has watched over you and spared you to overcome in all of your many troubles: is Because of the greate work that you are doing. & pray that He will continue spare you until your work on earth is absolutely finished, may He be perpetually crown your head with a crown of wisdom, and give you understanding.

Concering the "Crisis" & prize it the most inspiring, and valuable Litature of its kind that I have ever read and received in my home.

I am still pleased with it.

Wishing you continual success & Remain yours in Christ—

Rev. E. P. Dixon.

February 9, 1918.

Rev. E. W. Dixon,
Asheville School,
Ashville, N. C.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind letter of February 2.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRR.

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5 Potter's Row, Redtown,
Kingston Ja.
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Dear Sir,

Owing to stress of business I have been hindered in sending you a few lines of congratulation on the occasion of your 50th birthday.

Though far away and among the humblest of your well-wishers I feel that I am second to none in the heartiness & intensity of my good wishes.

As a reader of the "Crisis" for many years, and as a subscriber, since 1916, I have followed with much interest the advancement of that Journal. I have always felt, and do feel, that the circulation is not large enough when the fact is borne in mind that it is the organ of 12,000,000 people, all of whom should have a keen and abiding interest in its well-being and development.

I am very hopeful that ere

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this year closes the 100,000 limit will be reached.

May I say how highly the reading of your brief life story made me feel? I must confess that after reading "Up from Slavery" I saw the ahead for the million, but there is a second chapter needed to complete the story of achievement. It would be a very fortunate circumstance if the ahead to the higher branch of the coloured race could be made by one of its stars. Surely there is need for a work "Up from Freedom." I have no fear that such a book will appear if it has not already.

In as far as I can I am doing my best to increase the readers of the "Crisis" and if every subscriber did his part the desired circulation would be soon reached.

With sincerest regards + many happy returns of your Birth-day

I remain,
Yours truly
Malcolm C. Dodd

March 5, 1918.

Mr. H. C. Dodd,
5 Rotter's Row,
Rae Town, Kingston, Jamaica.

2/24/57

My dear Mr. Dodd:

I thank you very much for your kind words. I shall always remember with great pleasure my visit to Jamaica.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

50 yrs

Jamaica Plain, Mass.
Jan. 30. 1918

JAN 31 1918

My dear W. Du Bois

Thank you for saying that you
heard my being you a word of congratulation
& appreciation upon the occasion of your
birthday. Thank you also for the very inter-
esting story which you tell in the Crisis"
in February! With all the inhumane
divisions among men in these pretty low days
times, I love to think of that higher
citizenship of the Universe in which we
are all one & where no shallow distinctions
can keep a true man and a true woman
lonely, when he realizes his place in this
great order which is here & now no less
than in our hopes for a nobler life beyond
our sight. The really lonely & pitiable
people are those who have no sense of this

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beautiful comradeship, & more yet, he will
& pay the price through which a true real
life can be procured. May still larger
Service and all good things & make
your life effective, come to you in the
years before you.

Yours sincerely

Charles F. Dole

This needs no. trouble to reply.

February 2, 1918.

Mr. Charles F. Dole,
14 Roanoke Avenue,
Jamaica Plains, Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Dole:

I thank you very much for your kind words of January 30.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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to Democracy!

L. B. Dorcas, Sr., Mngr.

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November, 18th--'18.

Mr.W.E.Burghardt Du Bois,
#70, Fifth Avenue,
New YOrk,N.Y.

My Dear Mr.Du Bois;--

Being a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People,please allow me to suggest that there be started a move to have a representative of our race----our people----our interests--a colored man,to be at and take part in the coming Peace Conference.

In recognition of the service rendered to "the World",by our race,in this war,it is fitting and timely that a colored man should sit with other races of the world,around the peace table.

We have many men of our race that are worthy,qualified and deserving of the appointment. Would our Government deny us this recognition?

I would be obliged to you,indeed,if you will tell me what steps you will take in order to bring this matter to the attention of the proper persons.

I am,sincerely,

Prof' Lewis B. Dorcas, Sr.

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Memo for Mr. Scott:

This correspondence has come to Dr DuBois, who is in the South on a lecture tour. I am writing Miss Dowell that I am referring the matter to you and to Mr. Blaine of the American Red Cross, with whom Dr DuBois has had conference on this point.

(Miss) M. G. Allison Sec'y 5/25/18

-COPY-

Sunday, May 20, 1918.
2937 King Street,
Berkeley, California.

Dr. W. E. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

I am very anxious to register as a nurse in the army service. I am a graduate nurse. I have been informed that I cannot register as a red cross nurse here in California as "they are not making a separate unit for colored nurses."

I also wrote Supt. Army Nurse Corps, for position as army nurse, but was informed that there was no opening for Negro nurses at present. Will you kindly tell me if there are Negro nurses in the service and to whom I should apply for such positions? I am enclosing the letter I received in reply to my inquiries.

Have also written the American Red Cross, Washington, D. C., but have had no reply up to the present writing. Would be glad of any assistance you could give me in obtaining the desired information regarding such positions.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) (Miss) Martha W. Dowell.

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[COPY OF ENCLOSURE FROM DOWELL]

-COPY-

WAR DEPARTMENT
Office of the Surgeon General
Washington

April 30, 1918.

2/15/33

Miss Martha W. Dowell,
2937 King Street,
Berkeley, California.

My dear Miss Dowell:

Referring to your letter of recent date, I am directed by the Surgeon General to inform you that at the present time there are no openings in the Army Nurse Corps for colored nurses. This plan may be changed later. I would suggest that you apply to the American Red Cross, Washington, D. C., for information regarding the employ of colored nurses. If they are used in the army later, their names will be selected from the Red Cross lists.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Dora E. Thompson,
Superintendent, Army Nurse
Corps.

My dear Miss Allison:-

Yours of May 25th was duly received and contents carefully noted with pleasure. I am enclosing the reply to the inquiries made to the American Red Cross. Washington D.C. Will give them the desired information. Thanking you for the interest you have taken - I am

Sincerely Yours,

Martha W. Dowell,
2937 King Street,
Berkeley, Cal.

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Just to wish
Dr. Du Bois
Very many Happy Returns
of a Joyous Birthday -
from
Mr. & Mrs Henry Downing.
Feb. 23rd 1918

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March 1, 1918.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Downing,
253 West 137 Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Downing:

I want to thank you very much for your kind remembrance on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

$10.00

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Mrs. Arthur Du Bois

Nine hundred and one
Lexington Avenue

Nov. 29, 1918

Mrs. Arthur DuBois
901 Lexington Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Madam:

Permit me to express our very deep appreciation for your gift of Ten dollars ($10.00) to the Music School Settlement for Colored People.

Very sincerely yours,

2/13/98

WEBDB/CF

December 12, 1918

Dear Yolande:

Please be good and thoughtful while I am away. Remember how dearly I love you, and how much I want you to grow up and be a fine, strong woman.

First: Be thoughtful of mother. She is not well, and she thinks the world of you, and will do anything for you. Be thoughtful and kind and helpful.

Second: Do study hard and pass in your work. I want you to do this so much.

Third: Go to bed early, and don't be out after dark.

Four: Have a good time and be happy. I've left a dollar a week. Don't waste it.

Goodbye, my darling baby.

Papa.

Miss Yolande Du Bois,
650 Greene Avenue,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

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1230 Druid Hill Avenue,

Baltimore, Maryland,

February 22, 1918.

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Dear Dr. Du Bois:

The story of your life so beautifully told the Crisis, was read and enjoyed by the Du Bois Circle. We congratulate you most heartily upon your fiftieth birthday and rejoice with your many friends in your successes and achievements.

We appreciate very highly your invaluable

services to our race and your fearless leadership. You have also rendered a service to the country at large and to the world by publishing the truth as you found it, rather than as others would have it published.

We wish you health, happiness, and many more years.

Very sincerely yours,

Du Bois Circle.

(Mrs. Laura Wheatley, secretary of the executive board. Address as above.)

[Du Bois Circle]

March 4, 1918.

2/27/131

Mrs. Laura Wheatley,
1230 Druid Hill Avenue,
Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Mrs. Wheatley:

Will you kindly say to the members of the Du Bois Circle that I appreciate their congratulations on my birthday? Gradually, out of the crowd of the club the members of the Circle are marching into personalities for me and they are all most interesting folk. I think of them continually with great pleasure.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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August 8, 1918.

Mr. Dugas,
c/o Haynes Institute,
Augusta, Ga.

My dear Sir:

I am calling a meeting of persons interested in cooperation among colored people at this office August 26 and 27. Would it be possible for you to be present or any of your friends? Kindly let me hear from you.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

5652 Lafayette ave.,
Chicago, Illinois.
February 24th 1918.

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Dr W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Doctor:

I am glad of the opportunity that has come me of writing you a personal letter by reason of the invitation you have extended to all of your admirers to drop a line on the occasion of your fiftieth birthday.

You have probably been overwhelmed with letters of this kind. But for some reason, at this particular

It has been my good fortune to meet you, I believe, upon but one occasion and that was a few years ago at the home of Dr. E. E. Beatty of this city. It served to me, however, that I did know you for a long time at least from the time that I became a comrade at the home of Mrs. Stella Sutton while a student in Hanover College. Mrs. Sutton often and we were glad to have her do so.

I am a civil engineer by profession. Upon my graduation from Hanover in 1907 I had taken up some engineering studies I was by [illegible] upon engineering work with various railroad corporations for the most part till 1911 when I entered the graduate school of the University of Wisconsin in 1913 I received the professional degree of Civil Engineer. Since then I

time, I am ashamed to admit with that reference to you I have long felt a sense of ownership, one of the pleasant threads that me Howard me will weave around me. It is a thing that is sacred, spiritual and as I think of it it seems possible to wish I were arrived at Canada.

In my mind the darkest day for the Colored man in this country was the day when the Negro race was appointed the ward of the city — both black and white and then appeared the champion [illegible] deliberated decision for freedom for our race. I think you spoke out of the depth and truth and honesty of your soul as I would have done had I possessed the same gift of expression.

It might be asked "Why not wait longer yet?" The answer is ...

... might be accomplished through a reasonably continued training, ... applied to the ... for the purpose of applying science to ... movement. I thought the ... might be a ... and below that I have ... unsuccessful.

... tried to keep out bitterness and hate whatever the cost of these. ... I have ... and ... I have tried to live the broad and healthy life. ... I have been ... for the ... and am a member of ... Ft. I have served ... these years as ... officer in the ... of which I am the ... and was ... I have ... many ... for your ... birthday. I do not ... the ... you ... Con ... with you.

Very sincerely yours,

Charles S. Duke.

March 5, 1918.

Mr. Charles S. Duke,
5652 Lafayette Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir:

Thank you very much for your letter of February 24.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

FOR YOUR ANNIVERSARY

2/25/22

It gives me
pleasure to say
to you
Glad returns of the
day to you,
May Hope be strong
the whole year long
And Joy be swift on
its way to you!

Alice M. Dunbar-Nelson

Feb. 23 1918

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March 8, 1918.

Mrs. Alice Dunbar-Nelson,
916 French Street,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Dunbar-Nelson:

Let me thank you for the little greeting on my birthday.

With best regards,

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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350th Machine Gun Battalion,
Camp Grant, Rockford, Illinois, February 10,1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois, Editor,
The Crisis.

My dear Dr. Dubois:

I desire to wish you many happy returns for your approaching birthday. The race can ill afford the loss of your leadership. Fifty years more are none too many to hope for its continuance.

2. I have already responded to Mr. Dill's appeal for a testimonial to you by sending in three subscriptions to The Crisis.

3. I note that the next issue of The Crisis will contain Cantonment specials. If you can use the enclosed together with some photographs you have already received from here, I could handle a hundred or more copies. At any rate, look the article over, use it as it stands or modify it as you desire. If unsuitable, use the enclosed postage in returning same to me.

Very respectfully,

Lieut. Henry E. Dunn.

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February 21, 1918.

Lieut. Henry S. Dunn,
360th Machine Gun Battalion,
Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words.

I shall use such photographs as I can.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

Personal

FEB 2 1918

3600 Alternate St

Washington D.C. Jan 31, 1918

Mr W E B Dughardt Du Bois
c/o The Crisis

Dear Dr Du Bois.

Should I congratulate you on the approach of that important land mark, your fiftieth birthday? I do not know. I may at any rate have the pleasure of congratulating you that you approach it on a tide of brilliant success, and I may express my hope that you have many years ahead of you of growing personal success and increasing progress to the cause your life is devoted to.

Yours very truly.
Charles E Edgerton

2/14/17

Dr. Du Bois

FEB 1 1918

February 5, 1918.

Mr. Charles E. Edgerton,
3600 Albemarle Street,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind words of January 31.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

2/14/12

[R. C. EDMUNDSON]

AUG 17 1918 - 3

Should be acknowledged Sept. 5 1918

465 Florida Ave., nw.,
Washington, D.C.
July 28/18

Dear Dr. Dutton:

I was astounded to see the Washington Star this week join in the attack on you. I saw Mr. Chase over two weeks ago with the view of sounding his attitude towards you. He seemed to be, if anything, favorable towards you, and gave me permission to insert a letter in your behalf in the Washington Herald, which was printed. Mr. Hayes now has some connection with the paper, and this no doubt accounts for the attack

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an open [illegible].

I have encountered quite half-a-dozen men of fair intelligence about the present crisis of yours and have not been able to elicit a single common sense argument from any of those opposing you. Some appear to be really ignorant of the true situation, angry and sincere, while others evidently understand the case and oppose you for reasons concealed. It is useless to attempt to reason with either of these classes at this time.

I venture the friendly suggestion to you: sit tight,

in person

do not permit yourself to be drawn into controversy on the subject. Time will vindicate you.

But if there is anything that you would like to have put forth in any Washington paper, but not as emanating from you, you could feel at liberty to do so through me.

Yours very truly,

R. H. Edmonds

Phone Cars. 3455X

Dr. K. Clarence Edwards

PHYSICIAN & SURGEON,

Bolivar Street, Opposite Masonic Temple

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Cristobal, Canal Zone.

MAR 16 1918

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P/S The postal rate to Cristobal Canal Zone is the same as to any state in the Union.

March 6. 1918.

Dear Dr Du Bois,

I thank God for this opportunity of extending to you my congratulations on your Fiftieth Birthday.

I join your numerous friends in hoping that many more years of usefulness be given you, and that the cause for which you so earnestly labour may finally be won.

During my temporary practise of medicine in North Carolina I called on you in New York. I think it was in 1915, but just whether you will remember me I am not certain any way I am sending a postal photo of myself from which kindly have a newspaper cut made, and use it as you see fit. I do not know the cost but on receipt of a bill from you for same I will gladly remit.

I may add that the war department has forwarded blanks to me to fill and instructed me to report at the Ancon Hospital owned by U. S. Government for examination for Medical Reserve Corps.

Owing to my very large practise among the whites (Americans), the Spaniards (Panamenians), the West Indians I cannot leave immediately but hope to shortly.

Please hand the enclosed order to Mr Villard with membership blank duly signed and he applies. I shall expect to receive Crisis monthly.

I will endeavor to write you some interesting things for the news at some future time when I am not so taxed with work. Yours for the Cause

H. C. Edwards.

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May good Dame Fortune
visit
You on Your Birthday
and
Remain with You forever

From Hubert C. Edwards M.D.
Box 8 39 Cristobal, Canal Zone.

[ENDCLASSPES]

April 15, 1918.

Dr. Hubert C. Edwards.
Box 839,
Cristobal, Canal Zone.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind greetings and picture on the occasion of my fiftieth birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

October 29, 1918

Dr. J. Erskine
347 Madison Avenue
New York City.

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My dear Sir:

I understand that Mr. F. H. Hough is a candidate for educational work among the colored units in France after the close of the war.

I have not had a long personal acquaintance with Mr. Hough, but many of my trusted friends recommend him highly, and I know that he has had execellent training and considerable experience in educational work. I feel that you would make no mistake in giving him a chance.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/LV

In reply to your letter of Dec 16
they state that Dr Du B

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Chicago Ill Dec 16-18

Dr W. E. B. Du Bois, Kind Sir:

I trust you are in the best of health at this time and I also trust you are strong in spirit. Kind Sir there is a question I would like to ask. If you will be kind enough to take the time to answer the question for a worm like I.

Here it is Sir, Why do Negroes prefer bearing called colored in preference of Negro.

2/13/111.

Colored dont mean
any thing much.
Is there any thing wrong
with the word Negro
The Crisis use a capital
N always when spelling
the word Negro and
when using the word
Colored meaning Negro
just the same, they use
a small c.
There is not any thing
about Negro that I am
ashamed of.
Nigger sounds like what
Webster says it means.
The word Negro sounds
great and grand

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I am very limited on education God bless you I appeal to you because I know that you are big enough to ans the question. However I beliive that negro is the best name for us as we are a People that have got to grow.
and kind sir I hear a still voice saying (Re-grow) grow-grow-grow.

The small must grow large not in one way but in every way on the base of Gods plan

round earth.
The whole thing is it appears that negroes had rather be called Colored than to be negro (and why) I ask you because I know that you know.
Trusting that you will take the time to answer my question as soon as your spare time will permit you.
Be of good courage Sir and all will be well.
Truly yours
Ernest A. Clay
2635 South State St
Chicago Ill.

December 31, 1918

Mr. Ernest A. Elam,
2635 South State Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of December 16, I beg to say that Dr. Du Bois sailed for France, December 1, on a special ship, "The Orizaba," along with a distinguished number of newspaper men.

Dr. Du Bois will represent The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and THE CRISIS at the Peace Conference. He will also summon a Pan-African Conference, to meet at Paris, and press the question of the African colonies.

Very sincerely yours,

MGA/CF

Warm Congratulations on your birthday. May you reach on your fine work for another fifty years! L.E.E.

L. ELWYN ELLIOTT, F. R. G. S.

FEB 26 1918

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LITERARY EDITOR
PAN-AMERICAN MAGAZINE

70 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

March 7, 1918.

Mr. L. Elwyn Elliott,
c/o Pan-American Magazine,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

2/16/65

My dear Mr. Elliott:

I appreciate your congratulations on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEED/GRB.

2/13/114

September 10, 1918.

My dear Mrs. Elliott:

I thank you very much for the photograph of Pecanha which you kindly sent me.

Very sincerely yours,

WWEB/GRB.

Mrs. Elliott,
c/o Pan-American Magazine,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

[c. SEPT. 1918] 2/13/15

TEL. CHELSEA 6427

Dear Dr. Du Bois, If Mr. Hill of Cheyney comes in this morning, would you please give

L. ELWYN ELLIOTT, F. R. G. S.

him this? I'd like to have him have a few moments for the Pan-American if he can.

With kind regards, Ever,

LITERARY EDITOR
PAN-AMERICAN MAGAZINE

70 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

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September 23, 1918.

Miss L. E., Elliott,
Pan-American Magazine,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Lucile P. Hill

My dear Miss Elliott:

Mr. Hill has not called yet.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

2/13/17

September 28, 1918.

Miss L. E. Elliott,
Pan-American Magazine,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Miss Elliptt:

I have several columns of newspaper stuff from Brazil which I wish translated out of Portuguese into English. Can you recommend a good person to do this and give me an idea of the cost?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

2/13/20

Oct. 31, 1918

Mr. A. C. Ellis
Southern Aid Society of Virginia Inc.
527 North Second St.
Richmond, Va.

My dear Sir:

I am enclosing a statement concerning the Negro Cooperative Guild and some literature.

I shall be glad to hear of your interest.

Very sincerely yours,

Enc.
WEBD/CF

Oct. 31, 1918

Mr. A. Cl Boois

[Erskine]

Georgetown, Demerara,
23rd April, 1918.

Dr Du Bois,
Sir,

We the undersigned, coloured natives of British Guiana, do hereby tender sincere greetings and congratulations, as a mark of our appreciation of the very splendid work you are undertaking on behalf of our race.

2. Through your propaganda, you will surely compel coloured people to realise that by unity and indefatigable efforts, they will become as a people, a powerful entity.

In Dr Du B absence from the city
they back + thank you for your kind words
& appreciation of his work.

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We are,
Sir,

Chas. Sparman H.T.
Jno. N. Young
S. O. Schwarte
Eugene Harding
Fred. Adams
Milton A. Patterson

* John J. Ers[redacted] (for others)
48 Robb Street
Georgetown
British Guiana

May 29, 1918.

Mr. John J. Erskine,
48 Robb Street,
Georgetown, British Guiana.

Dear Sir:

In Dr. Du Bois' absence from the city, I beg to acknowledge and thank you for your kind words in appreciation of his work.

Very sincerely yours,

MGA/GRB.

Secretary.

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135 Pender St.,
Wilson, N. C.,
April 22, 1918.

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois,

My dear Sir:

Your letter of April 18th was received and in reply I wish to say that I will send you full details of my trouble here in Wilson, and also newspaper clippings and photographs in a few days.

Thanking you for the interest that you are taking in the matter, I am,

Very sincerely yours
(Miss) M. C. Cuell.

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Post Card

FEB 25 1918

THIS SPACE FOR COMMUNICATION

FEB 25 1918

ADDRESS

"It is an old lesson — a worthy purpose patient energy for its accomplishment, a resoluteness undaunted by difficulties, and then success."

Delila A. Evans

Atlanta Ga.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

70 Fifth Ave.

New York City

OWEN CARD PUB. CO.
ELMIRA, N. Y.

May Birthdays lightly pass, and
may the years move slow;
Youth with you stay, and age delay,
For I would have it so.

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February 23, 1918.

Hon. W. E. B. DuBois,
Editor of Crisis, 70 - 5th Ave., City.

Most Honorable Sir:-

Please accept my felicitations on this Day of days, Your Birthday? Many happy returns.

"Once again the wheels of Time,
Their annual rounds have driven;
Tho You are scarce Your boyish 'teens
You are so much, nearer Heaven".

Dr. DuBois, I congratulate You on this "Golden Jubilee"; Chapeau Bas to You Sir.

And You are 50 Years "Young";

2/24/21

I can't say You are old for men of Your calibre, never grow old.

"Old-age is defined as the death of Enthusiasm"; Well, I know of no one more enthusiastic over the achievements of the Negro than, Your Honor, hence I reiterate, You are not old.

You are a great man, among great men; in the Hall of Fame, You are an "Immortelle."

You are likened unto a great oak tree in the forest of this world, and Your contemporaries, as the shrubs ore Underbrush.

I daresay, great as You are,

2/24/22

Your Star has not yet reached its height but, with your dynamic energy, it will ever go on and up. May be! may it soar until Death do us part.

Dr., may the happiest-days of your Past — be the saddest-days of your Future.

I have the honor Sir, to wish you the Blessings of God; the love of your Family and, the admiration of your Friends.

More power to the Crisis.

"Time steals our Years but,

seals our Friendships true.

Very Respectfully,

Frederick D. Evans,

217 East 88 St., City.

March 9, 1918.

Mr. Frederick D. Evans,
217 East 88 Street,
City.of New York.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind letter on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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-225- Reed St. Phila. Pa.

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I can read you - To-morrow will mean that you have been in the world light years. How you have seen and done many things in that time and many books have opened to you new attitude and appreciation. But no one can give you more sincere greeting than I who saw you eighteen years ago. As I look back I can see you and your influence as a driving

force in my life for many a day.

I am wondering what to give you as a present. Nothing to remind you of me dear and how would there is a word to express your deep worth as a man is true and good.

Allen and Irene join me in giving our love and Congratulations.

Always your friend,

Jessie Tarbox

7 May. 7 February 22

March 5, 1918.

Miss Jessie Fauset,
2225 Reed Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Jessie Fauset:

That was a very nice letter for you to write me, but it was still better for you to come to the dinner. Sorry I could not see more of you. I hope to soon.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

August 23, 1918.

2/13/178

My dear Miss Fauset:

I am holding a conference on cooperation in this office August 26 and 27 beginning at 2 P. M. on the first day. I would be glad if you can attend.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Miss Jessie Fauset,
New York City.

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MAR 6 1918

Coffeyville, Kansas,

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Back to DuB

W. B. DuBois Esq.

New York, N. Y.

Dear Doctor;

Today I was reading in theBlack Dispatch an editorial on your 50 th. birthday I was very much impressed with the contents o of the editorial.

I read too your article in the Crisis on your 50th. birth day, the experiences of your earlier life were very amusing to me for I too have been guilty oh so many times of disturbing the "Dago" stand of peanuts and the like.

I must confess that I am some what guilty of not having re read yor book"The Negro" and the more do I feel it because I am here a practicing dentist, the president of the Negro Business League and in this oil company.

But may I not ask why you do not use some method of advertising that will be more forceable in attracting the attention of agreat many Negroes? I am sure that there are many who wo would buy the book if they could read such articles as the one written in the Dispatch.

Kindly send the book to me C. O. D.

Do you take ads'. in the Crisis of oil companies if so kindly te tell me your rates for whole single pages.

Respectfully yours A R Ferebee D.D.S.

6 March, 1918.

Dr. A. R. Ferebee,
Coffeyville,
Kansas.

My dear Dr. Ferebee:

Your recent letter directed to Dr. DuBois came to my attention. It is the rule of this office not to send books C. O. D. Remittances must accompany all orders sent. The price of DuBois "The Negro" is sixty cents and the postage is six cents extra. I shall be glad to receive your order for the same and give careful attention.

Advertisements of oil companies have been offered us during the last month. We have not seen our way clear to accept them as yet, pending investigation of the same.

Very sincerely yours,

AGD/ATH

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cover those sections by getting sub-agents to handle copies for you allowing the sub-agent a fair commission. News-stands, news-boys, drug stores, barber shops,Sunday school teachers,college or high school students, if CAREFULLY selected, have proven good sub-agents. But any man, woman, girl or boy who is honest and a hustler can sell the CRISIS.

Suggestion No.2

Advertise in your local weekly paper, in theatres, get announcements in the churches by progressive ministers or take any other dignified method to advertise the CRISIS each month. This will increase the demand and make it easy to sell.

Suggestion No.3

Have printed as many copies of the CRISIS Forecast,which we shall endeavor to supply you each month, as you think you can judiciously use, adding your name,address and the date in the month when you usually receive the CRISIS. Distribute the copies you have printed in a way to create a demand.

Can you recommend to us reliable, wideawake agents in other localities in your state? We find that the more agents we have in a state the better each agent succeeds, provided the agents are wisely distributed.

Yours for a HUNDRED THOUSAND CIRCULATION in 1918.

Sincerely

THE CRISIS

A. G. Dill

Business Manager.

FEB 21 1918

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ARMY AND NAVY
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
"WITH THE COLORS"

YMCA

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St Louis
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Feb 18-1918

A Word for the Editor of the Crisis on his fifteth birthday.

The Can-not be to much said and done about the one who speaks out so loud and strong to his people and for his people. near him and far away from him. May he live long who lives right. he is just winding his last forty ninth mile. With all good wishes hoping you may live to see many more happy and prospers birth days and all your hours be bright for the betterment of this grand and noble ~~race~~ race to which we belong.

Yours in J. M. T.
N. Fields
2934 Clark ave

HELP YOUR COUNTRY BY SAVING. WRITE ON BOTH SIDES OF THIS PAPER

February 28, 1918.

Mr. N. Fields,
2934 Clark Avenue,
St. Louis, Missouri.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very deeply your kind words of February 18.

Very sincerely yours,

WEED/ORB.

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[FIRST AFRICAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH]

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Doctor:-

It is with much pleasure that I have the honor to extend to you, in the name of the "Men's Brotherhood of the First African Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia", our sincere congratulations upon the event of the fiftieth anniversary of your birth.

In viewing the many important successes of the past, especially that relating to the welfare of our race, and knowing the conspicuous part you have taken, we are led to feelings of deep admiration for your courage, perseverance, and untiring efforts in opening the interests of our people.

May your life be spared to continue the great work that you are now able ably performing, in the extent wish of all the members of this Brotherhood.

Very sincerely yours,

E. A. Jackson

Secretary.

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[FIRST AFRICAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH]

February 21, 1918.

Mr. H. A. Jackson,
2125 St. Albans Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Sir:

I beg to thank you and the "Men's Brotherhood of the First African Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia" for your kind words and congratulations.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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July 11, 1918.

MEMORANDUM TO MISS RUTH ANNA FISHER IN REGARD TO POPULAR LECTURE COURSES TO COLORED GIRLS AND YOUNG WOMEN AT THE HARLEM CENTER.

I thoroughly agree with you that a series of popular lectures, clear and simple, on civic and social subjects would be of the greatest importance to your center.

I suggest courses of four to eight weeks' duration on subjects like these: Money and Wages, Banks and Insurance, Earning a Living, The Ethics of Spending, Agencies of Social Uplift, The Government of a City, The Government of a State, The Government of the United States, The Duties of a Voter, Legislation, Careers Open to Young Colored Girls, Economics of Family Life, Organization of Pleasure, The History of the Negro in Africa, The History of the Negro in America, etc.

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I should be glad to develop in detail for you any set of these subjects which seem to you to be particularly fitted to the Harlem situation. It will be possible to get a number of speakers on these subjects, but it wrould be best to confine the teaching to two or three so that the contact of speaker and hearer would be better.

I might be able, if asked, to undertake two lectures a week for six months. I should charge $25 each for single lectures but for a course covering three months or more I would be willing to make the price at the rate of two lectures for $25.

SYLLABUS OF LECTURES TO COLORED WORKING GIRLS
By W. E. B. Du Bois
Editor of THE CRISIS

A. EARNING A LIVING - 8 lectures - $100.

1. Necessity of work
2. Nature of work
3. Kinds of work
4. Income
5. Property
6. Capital
7. Wages
8. Savings

B. ETHICS OF SPENDING - 8 lectures - $100.

1. Wants
2. Spendthrifts
3. Misers
4. Luxuries
5. Necessities
6. Goods
7. Services
8. Ideals

C. CAREERS OPEN TO COLORED GIRLS - 12 lectures - $150.

1. Modern division of Labor
2. Present division of labor among American Negroes
3. Farming
4. Sewing
5. Shop and Factory
6. Food preparation

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7. Clerks and Stenographers
8. Merchants
9. Artists and Actors
10. Teachers
11. Domestic and Personal Service
12. The Home

D. THE ORGANIZATION OF PLEASURE - 9 lectures - $125.

1. The Philosophy of Pleasure
2. Drinking and Gambling
3. Physical Exercise
4. Music and Dancing
5. Social Intercourse
6. Travel
7. Theatre and Lectures
8. Reading and Study
9. Recreation and Health

E. HISTORY OF THE NEGRO IN AMERICA - 8 lectures - $100.

1. Africa
2. The Negro Race
3. The Slave Trade
4. The West Indies and South America
5. The Colonies
6. The Cotton Kingdom
7. Emancipation
8. Recent Development

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August 23, 1918.

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Miss Ruth A. Fisher,
127 West 136 Street,
New York City.

My dear Miss Fisher:

I am holding a conference on cooperation in this office August 26 and 27 beginning at 2 P. M. on the first day. I would be glad if you can attend.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBB/GRB.

October 7, 1918.

Miss Ruth A. Fisher
127 West 136th Street
New York City.

2/13/42

My dear Miss Fisher :

I am sending out these circulars to the Secretaries in the Co-operation Guild.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CM

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DR. W. R. FISHER
SWIFTWATER, PA.

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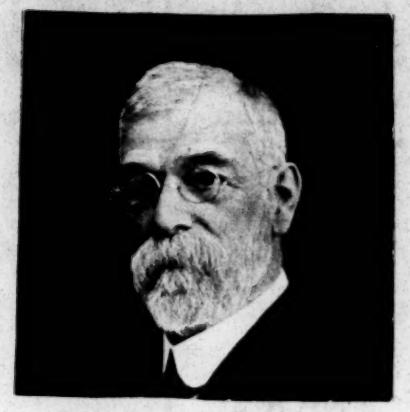

February 23, 1918

Dear Doctor DuBois,

I send to you hearty congratulations on your Fiftieth Birthday and best wishes for many anniversaries to come.

Altho' I have had the privilege of meeting you, and shaking your hand, on one occasion only, I have had the good fortune to become well acquainted with you through The Crisis, and it is a sincere pleasure, on this occasion, to sign this greeting as

Your friend
Wm R Fisher

2/24/66

March 4, 1918.

Mr. William R. Fisher,
Swiftwater, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Fisher:

I thank you for your kind words and especially for the photograph. It is always pleasant to see the face of one's friends.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

FISK UNIVERSITY
FAYETTE AVERY McKENZIE, PRESIDENT
NASHVILLE

1918

Sept. 7. 1819.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
New York City
N. Y.

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Dear Sir: 17

Your letter to Dr. McKenzie concerning the will of Mrs. Amy Spingarn at hand. Dr. McKenzie is out of the city for a few days. I have sent literature to Mrs. Spingarn and will forward this message to Dr. McKenzie if possible to reach him as he will probably be in New York City before he returns. You will hear from him in a few days. I assure you we all appreciate your interest in Fisk and your words for our interests.

Sincerely.
Belle Ruth Parmenter.
(Assisting in President's Office)

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Cooperation

NOTARY PUBLIC

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WILLIAM L. FITZGERALD
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1206 DRUID HILL AVE.
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BALTIMORE, MD.

August 27th. 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Editor The Crisis,
70 Fifth Ave.
New York,

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

In the Crisis that has just come, I have noticed with much pleasure, that a call has been issued for all those interested in the establishment, among colored people of co-operative enterprises, to meet during August 26th. and 27th. in New York City.

The lateness of the notice makes it impossible for me to attend. However, I am sending you herewith a copy of a paper prepared by me for The National Negro Business League that has just finished its sessions in Atlantic City. As a business man of many years of experience, it occured to me that you might be interested in my views on the general topic of cooperation among Colored People.

Trusting that you may find a part of this material of some interest for a future number of the Crisis, and thanking you in advance for your consideration.

I am yours very truly,

Wm L. Fitzgerald

August 28, 1918.

Mr. William L. Fitzgerald,
1206 Druid Hill Avenue,
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for letting me see the manuscript which you delivered at Atlantic City. It is much too long for publication but I am glad to know of your interest and I shall send you soon some reports concerning our section.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

THE ROCKEFELLER INSTITUTE
FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH,
66TH STREET AND AVENUE A,
NEW YORK.

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Doctor Simon Flexner begs to acknowledge receipt of the kind invitation to be present at the dinner to be given to Mr. William E. Du Bois on February twenty-fifth, but regrets that it will not be possible for him to attend.

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February eighteenth,
Nineteen hundred and
eighteen.

Camp Butler Springfield. Ills

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Dr W. E. B. Du Bois

Editor Crisis, 70 Fifth Ave

New York City.

Dear Friend:

Some sick bird sent you Congratulations on attaining the 50th mile post on the Journey of life. My wish for you is that you may be spared to render many more years of useful service to the Cause of human liberty

Yours Very Sincerely

Ledo. D. Ford

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March 5, 1918.

Mr. George W. Ford,
Camp Butler,
Springfield, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Ford:

I am sorry to know that you are sick and trust you are better by this time.

I thank you for your kind congratulations.

Very sincerely yours,

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SPRINGFIELD, ILL., MAR 20 1918

Major Geo. W. Ford,
Camp Butler,

Dear Sir;

Plans have been approved here by the members of our Co-operative Educational Council Board, Governor Frank O. Lowden and a CENTENNIAL CO-OPERATIVE COMMITTEE of 100, for a CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL CONGRESS to be held in Lincoln's home city, Sept. 22-23-24, 1918.

Some of the most prominent representatives of both races will be invited to meet and discuss methods for bringing the Race Problem in all of its phases, into a WORKING RELATIONSHIP with powerful men and movements of the country with a view to ultimately working out a fitting solution of the same.

As this is Illinois Centennial year, with the state celebrating the event in the capitol city, it is thought that some consideration of the subject which most particularly characterized the greatest act of the greatest citizen the state ever had, would at least be in keeping with the spirit of the Centennial.

I AM REQUESTED TO INVITE YOU TO SERVE ON A CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE AND PARTICIPATE IN ARRANGING FOR SPRINGFIELD'S PART IN THE CONGRESS.

Please let me hear from you on the subject at your earliest convenience so that there may be no delay in making up the various committees.

Yours very truly,

Z. W. Mitchell

Executive Secretary

[George W. Ford]

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Marked copy of
J. W. McClure
editorial, May Crisis

Camp Bullis, Springfield, Ill
April 27 1918

Dr W. E. B. DuBois
New York City

My dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your note in which you failed to enclose copy of Crisis editorial. I am sending herewith names as requested

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Springfield News—Record
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Illinois State Journal

Respectfully
Sec. of Board

Am feeling very much better, and hope
soon to be in my usual good health

[George W. Ford]

Z W Mitchell

MAY 1 1918

Camp Butler Springfield, Ills.
April 28. 1918

Dr W. E. B. DuBois
New York City

Dear Sir-

With reference to your letter to me a few days since, regarding Mr Z. W. Mitchell. Mr Mitchell came to Springfield from Quincy or Bloomington about two years ago. He came with endorsements from some of the best people of Quincy, and as a matter of course with the expectations of others.

Since coming to Springfield he has been engaged in formulating plans for the best the Colored people are to take in the State's Centennial. Public opinion seems to equally divided regarding Mr Mitchells plans. Some even think as a great

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Social Worker Otis Day he is a fake

The enclosed letter will give you such information as you may need.

Respectfully

Jerome Ordway

I have no quarrel with Mr Mitchell and do not care how little I know in anyway tried to injure him, but if he is the adventurer and swindler, they say he is, he should be exposed.

[George W. Ford]

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Camp Butler, Springfield, Ills.

May 2 - 1918

Dr W. E. B Du Bois

New York City

Dear Sir:

I am sending herewith some of the Mitchells advertising matter. You will note how successful he has been in securing the names of the citizens of Springfield, My name occurs among the number as well as many others who do not endorse Mr Mitchell, but simply as subscribers to a fund which it was necessary to secure the Conviction of the white people. Regarding the Editorial in the Crisis he says he will ignore that that you are powerless to injure him.

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I am unaware of the methods used by Mr Mitchell in securing the names of so many White business men. I do know that some of them, marked thus X, have shown them unfriendliness to our people on more than one occasion. In conversation with Mr Mitchell Yesterday he said that this is not the first time you have tried to injure him that while in Quincy, you came to that city and tried to stop his work, evidently avail.

Personally I know nothing of Mr Mitchell but he has quite a number of warm friends in Springfield who resent any interference with him. His greatest friend and admirer is Mr Robert P. Taylor. president of the Springfield Branch N. A. A. C. P.

Sincerely

Edw. Wood

MAY 5-4 1918

Big Mass Meeting

OF

Colored People

AT THE MASONIC HALL

FRIDAY EVE., MAY 3

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You are invited to be present at the reading of Abraham Lincoln's Will, the greatest document that was ever written by any man, or any government.

If you wish to know what Lincoln, and our government want the colored people, to have in this great land and country, of ours come and hear it read.

Don't be a slacker and stay away and then forever, complain as to what you have'nt received

This meeting is being held under the auspices of the Springfield Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

There will be a fine Program in Connection

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GOVERNOR LOWDEN ENDORSES THE CONGRESS PLAN AND PROMISES PRACTICAL CO-OPERATION.

State of Illinois,
Office of The Governor,
Springfield.

March 7, 1918

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

I have been much interested in your plans for a cooperative educational Congress, to be held here September 22-23-24, 1918. I heartily approve of this movement, and shall be very glad to do what I can to help make it a success.

Sincerely yours,

Frank O. Lowden

Mr. Z. W. Mitchell,
Executive Secretary,
Cooperative Educational Council Board,
124 South Eleventh Street,
Springfield, Illinois

Many replies are being received from prominent men of both races, representing some of the most important organizations of America.

Shall we have DEMOCRACY at Home through Mutual Understanding?

CENTENNIAL CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL CONGRESS

Springfield, Illinois

September 22-23-24, 1918

The plan of holding a great Co-operative Educational Congress participated in by a select number of the best of both races for the purpose of considering matters touching the relations between the races, was first proposed in connection with the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco in 1915.

After considerable work had been done toward developing the idea, it was discovered that for many reasons such a Congress could better be held somewhere in the Central part of the United States. Executive secretary, Z. W. Mitchell was appealed to with strong argument in favor of the home city of the one who had made possible the freedom and progress of the American Negro as the place for such an important undertaking.

CHANGE OF PLAN

As early as May 6, 1914, in response to a committee from the Enterprise Chamber of Commerce of Springfield, Illinois, Secretary Mitchell made the following announcement:

The plan of holding a Co-operative Educational Congress at the time of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco has been changed, but not without careful consideration and the best of reasons.

First—Three years more of valuable time in which to prosecute our Foundation Work now half completed is of priceless value and will be taken advantage of.

Second—The idea of holding the proposed Congress in the Home City of that immortal man whose act made possible the liberty and present opportunities of the race for whom we are struggling, and on that occasion and at that place put into National operation a movement participated in by leaders of both races which will ultimately make sure in the fullest measure the permanent emancipation and freedom of those for whom he acted, has found a large place in our deliberations.

Third—The financial support made possible for further perfecting our System and carrying to successful consummation our undertaking has in a large measure outweighed the advantages offered by the Exposition plan.

THEREFORE OUR PROPOSED CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL CONGRESS WILL BE HELD IN SPRINGFIELD DURING THE ILLINOIS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION IN 1918.

CO-OPERATION CAN SOLVE THIS RACE QUESTION.

The Quincy Daily Journal, after devoting almost two pages to a review of the plans and work of The Loyal Legion Co-operative Educational System, contained the following editorial:

CO-OPERATION.

Everything that the world has acquired, which has made for the betterment of mankind, has been wrought by the spirit of co-operation. History, sacred and profane, is one long account of the effects of co-operation, for co-operation is the parent of organization and organization is the keynote of human achievement.

Hence the plea of the Loyal Legion Co-operative Educational System for place and standing befitting its work in this city, and the response that has been given that plea up to the present time, is of public interest for the association is teaching a new doctrine—that the race question can only be solved by co-operation between the white and Negro races. It freely acknowledges that there is a race question and it does not minimize its importance. Nor does the League suggest racial equality or any other radical plan as the solution. It pins its faith on education, using the term education in its broadest sense, and asks for the Negro merely an opportunity to work out his own race problem along the lines that education will suggest to both races, and which shall be a rational and unimpassioned solution. The race cannot work out this great task against the opposition of the white people. It cannot work it out in a reasonable time with a merely passive attitude on the part of the white race. The Negro needs and must have, co-operation of the white race in order to bring about the solution of the race question in the shortest possible time.

It is greatly to the credit of good citizens of this and other communities that they have taken hold of this movement and are lending active co-operation. More is needed along this line—much more. It is written, "No man liveth to himself alone," and by the same logic it may be said with equal truth, no race liveth to itself alone.

Co-operation can solve this race question, as it has solved all other great questions of mankind.

PROMINENT RACE LEADERS RESPOND

Col. Roscoe Conkling Simmons needs no introduction to the American people. The death of the late Dr. Booker T. Washington left a place that only one person of the millions of survivors of his race could fill—and that person was Col. Roscoe Conkling Simmons, not called by man, but appointed by God to take the place as a leader of his race left vacant by the death of his illustrious uncle.

The following comment relative to his masterful oratory was recently made by the public press:

Columbus, Ohio, March 22.—When Roscoe Conkling Simmons swung onto the stage of the great Memorial hall last Tuesday night on the arm of Mayor George J. Karb, the thousands in the audience gave a cheer that swept through the great doors into the streets. It was an ovation for a king in service.

Before the largest "pay lecture" ever held in the capital city, Mr. Simmons delivered what both white and Race people declared to be the greatest in both his career and the history of this state. For two hours he spoke as if inspired.

Long before the hour set for the program the great auditorium was filled by an audience bent on showing the world how they thought about the country and determined on showing the great orator what they thought of him. They succeeded.

Both races poured into the building, and then poured out every evidence of loyalty. But the great pouring was in the eloquent sentences that came as if a stream from lips that have made "the law of kindness" his text for wondrous things.

Orator Beyond Description.

Col. Edward S. Wilson, distinguished editor of the great Ohio State Journal, sat in the front row. With him were many white men noted in the life of this city and state. Col. Wilson wrote an editorial on the great meeting. This is what he wrote:

> "Then Roscoe Conkling Simmons was introduced by the mayor. The orator has an Anglo-Saxon countenance, but claimed his highest honor was in being a Negro. His oratory cannot be described. It is unlike anything ever seen or heard on the platform, and yet for two hours he held that audience as by a spell."

The orator was introduced by Mayor Karb. "Against odds has he risen," said the mayor, "and against odds he will rise higher, ever higher, for his is a work beyond control of men."

The following letter has been received from Col. Simmons:

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 27, 1918.

Mr. Z. W. Mitchell, Secretary,
Co-operative Educational Council Board,
Springfield, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I thank you for your very kind letter under date of February 23d. It seems to me that you are preparing for a really important gathering.

I shall be very glad to attend your Congress and if possible take part in the program. Of course you will advise me of the part I am expected to take and the hour.

With best wishes for you and for the success of your effort, I am,

Yours most truly,
Roscoe Conkling Simmons.

ONE OF MANY RESPONSES FROM SOME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS OF AMERICA.

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THE CITY SURROUNDED BY THE UNITED STATES — St. Louis, Mo., March 23, 1918.

Mr. Z. W. Mitchell,
Executive Secretary,
Cooperative Educational Council Board,
123 South Eleventh Street,
Springfield, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Please accept my thanks for your letter of March 18, inviting me to attend the Cooperative Educational Congress, to be held in your city September 22-24.

It is rather a long time ahead to be accepting invitations if I have to guarantee to actually be there; but I can say this, that I will accept tentatively, and I do hope that I can get to Springfield on the dates mentioned. I shall certainly do so if nothing happens to prevent.

I have always regretted that I have never had an opportunity to visit Springfield. Incidentally, I should like to go there because I am told that there are several citizens of Springfield with the same name as my own, and I want to get acquainted with them.

Cordially yours,

P V Bunn

General Secretary.

PVB-W

MORE THAN FIFTY LETTERS FROM THE MOST PROMINENT COLORED CITIZENS OF SPRINGFIELD HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY SECRETARY MITCHELL DURING THE PAST THIRTY DAYS ENDORSING THE CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL CONGRESS AND PLEDGING CO-OPERATION AND SUPPORT.

EX-REGISTER OF THE UNITED STATES TREASURY, HON. JAMES C. NAPIER, DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON'S SUCCESSOR AS PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL NEGRO BUSINESS LEAGUE WRITES AS FOLLOWS:

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Nashville, March 22, 1918.

Mr. Z. W. Mitchell, Executive Secretary,
124 11th Street,
Springfield, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of March eighteenth I have to say that I do not now know of anything that will prevent my attendance upon the Cooperative Educational Congress to be held September 22, 23 and 24, next.

Should it be my good fortune to be with you I shall take pleasure in doing whatever lies in my power to add interest to the program and to contribute my mite in the effort to bring about the "right relationship between races".

Very truly yours,

J. C. Napier

HEADS OF ALL NATIONAL NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS OF AMERICA ARE BEING INVITED.

Mr. Logan H. Stewart, Executive Committeeman of the National Negro Business League for Indiana, writes as follows:

Evansville, Ind., April 2, 1918.

Co-operative Educational Council Board,
Springfield District,

Z. W. Mitchell, Executive Secretary.

Dear Sir: Your letter relative to a co-operative educational congress to be held in Springfield, Sept. 22-24, 1918 has reached me.

I am very favorably impressed with the possibilities of good that may grow out of this congress and at present see nothing in the way to prevent my participation in the program to be arranged.

With best wishes for your success in the venture, I am,

Yours very truly,

LOGAN H. STEWART.

The following letter has been received from Mr. Chas. Banks, First Vice President of the National Negro Business League.

BANKS COTTON CO.
Mound Bayou, Miss.

March 30, 1918.

Mr. Z. W. Mitchell, Springfield, Illinois.

Dear Sir: Replying to your favor of the 28th inst. in which you do me the honor of an invitation to participate in the program in connection with Co-operative Educational Congress I am writing to advise that I shall be pleased to do what you may direct in helping to make the affair a success.

Yours very truly,

CHAS. BANKS.

CENTENNIAL CONGRESS COMMITTEES

Equal representation will be provided the two races through Co-operative Centennial Committees. To each committeeman will be issued a certificate, or credential, approved by the Governor of Illinois which will entitle the holder to a seat on the Congress floor and a voice and a vote in its deliberations. A Centennial Co-operative Committee composed of one hundred of Springfield's most prominent and influential business men will add their endorsement and support in making the event one of national importance and interest. Through similar committees organized in other cities and a Centennial Committee-at-Large, proper representation will be provided every section of the country.

A PARTIAL LIST OF SPRINGFIELD'S COMMITTEEMEN

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Camo Butler, Springfield, Ill, Aug. 18,

Mr. Chas. A. Pitman,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

The Springfield Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. decided at their meeting last evening to makean effort to raise a small uund to relieve some of the suffering of the victims of the East St. Louis horror. Miss Katharyn Johnson gave me your address as the proper one to whom remittance for that purpose should be made. I have since been informed by Mr. Z. W. Mitchell that this fund should be sent only to the Red Cross Association. Please inform me which is correct.

Yours for Humanity,

Geo. W. Ford,
Pres. Springfield Branch N.A.A.C.P.

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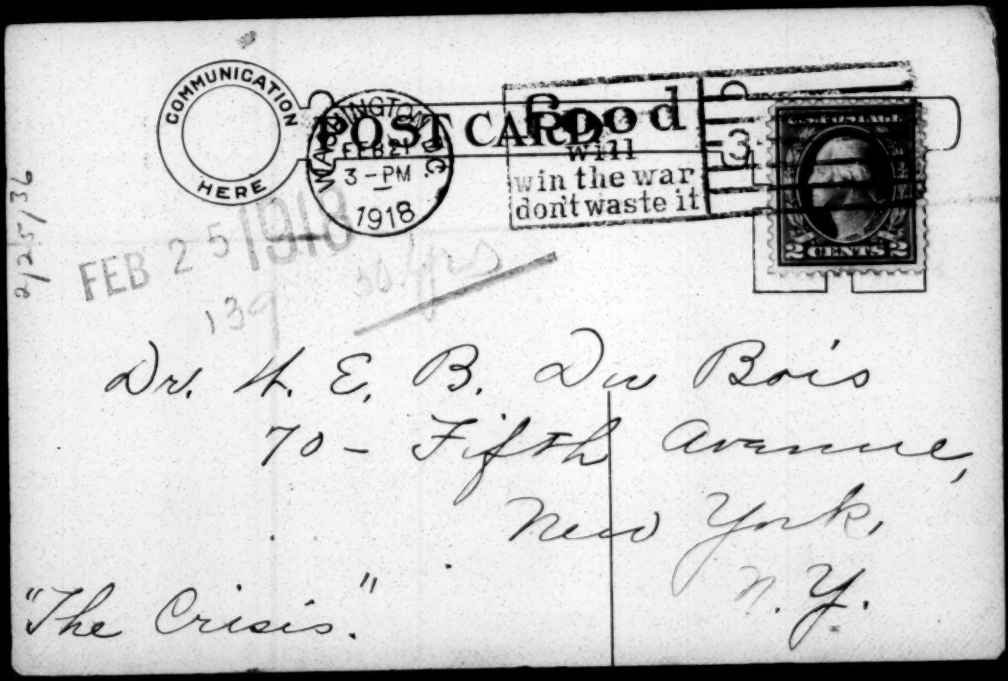

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70 - Fifth Avenue,
New York,
N. Y.

"The Crisis."

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Feb. 21 — 18.

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to
You,
and fifty hearty
good wishes.
Yours sincerely
Genl Henry Forrest

Was sending also to her
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY November 25, 1918.

Prof. W. E. B. DuBois, Editor,
The Crisis,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

My dear Mr. DuBois:-

I cannot adequately express my gratification in receiving your favor of October 31 incident to the receipt of one of my cards forwarded by Dr. Alexander of Orange.

The stress of the manifold duties which have come with the close of the war as it has directly effected the work of this organization in addition to matters that have demanded my personal attention, is my excuse for not having replied more promptly but trust that you will appreciate the circumstances in this regard.

I shall be very glad, indeed, to call and see you the first time I am in New York City as I am confident there are several matters of mutual interest that we could talk over to advantage in addition to a very pleasant renewal of our acquaintance of many years ago when we both resided in Great Barrington.

With sincere regards and cordial best wishes,

I am, as ever,

Faithfully yours,

Ben E. Chapin

State Director.

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Lexington, Ky.
February,
Twenty-first,
1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth St.
New York City.

Dear Dr. DuBois,-Let me congratulate you upon the celebration of your fiftieth anniversary of your birth.

I am sure that many of our own people whom you have served and the white people generally do not appreciate the great work you have done and are doing for the race and humanity.

May you live to see the happy returns of many such days.

Yours very truly

W. H. Fouse

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February 28, 1918.

Mr. W. H. Fouse,
Lexington, Ky.

My dear Mr. Fouse:

I thank you for your good wishes in your letter of February 21.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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[W. H. FOUSE]

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November 18,1918.

Dr.W.E.B.DuBois,
70- Fifth Ave.,
New Yonk Cithy.

Dear DrDubois,- I wish to take a moment of your time to say that the "Crisis" has been a constant visitor in our home fo for the past five or six years and I am free to say that there is no piece of literatue I have on my table that I treasure so highly as I do it.

Dr.Dubois,I have a thought regarding the great reconstru - tion that is next on the world's program.It seem to me that now when the peoples of the world,those who have greviencies of one kind or another are soon to come together to discuss world polisies,or to seek that adjustments be made in the in interest of "the people" and democracy that there should be p representation of of Negroes at this congress to present the case of the Negro. I feel that this body should not only be composed of the best thinkers among us but small in num- bers and sufficiently varied as to represent all of the vital interests of all of the Negroes of the world,those of Europe, Africa and Georgia.

Now,If I were allowed to select ### this group of men and perhaps women I would begin with the name of the one to whom I am addressing this note.

At your first convenience,I shall be glad to hear from you as to what you think of this idea.

Yours truly,

Wm. H. Fouse

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His Excellency,
Georges S. Clemenceau, Primier of France,
Paris, France.
Sir:

Knowing that there is to come a great readjustment of conditions and people and knowing also, that you desire to be absolutely fair and just to all concerned, and to solve each problem, and to meet each issue in the way that will be most satisfactory for the advancement of civilization; I am directed by a Conference of colored leaders and voicing my own sentiments to ask; if you will not take up with the Great Powers, looking to an exchange of views, regarding the establishing of a great Independent State in Africa, to be settled and governed by Negroes.

This state is to embrace, very largely, the free states already established, but to be larger and affording more means for self support and general government, or the establishing of an Independent Negro Central African State, composed of the Belgian Congo, German East Africa, and if possible, Uganda, French Equatorial Africa, German Southwest Africa and the Portuguese territories of Angola and Mozambique; such a state to be under International guarantees and control.

We believe that the time is oppertune for the establishment of such a state and that if it could find favor in your eyesight, so as to secure your support, a great deal has been accomplished. Such a policy will go far towards giving to the Negro everywhere, more hope and greater inspiration and aspiration for the future, than anything that could be suggested at this time.

I am simply writing this as an outline for future suggestions, after we ascertain your views on this matter.

I beg to state that I took the matter up with my own American government, and am attaching herewith copy of the reply to the same.

Asking your kind consideration of this matter and with sentiments of the greatest esteem and respect, I am, Sir

Yours very truly,

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MR AND MRS JOHN H FULLER

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1217 P

March 8, 1918.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Fuller,
328 N. Union Street,
Danville, Virginia.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Fuller:

I thank you for your kind words in your telegram of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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March 8, 1918.

Dr. and Mrs. Solomon P. Fuller,
7 Warren Road,
Framingham, Massachusetts.

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Fuller:

Thank you for your good wishes on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

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SHREVEPORT, LA. 2, 20, 1918.

Mr W. E. B. Du Bois.

Dear Sir.

I am complying with your request in subscribing for the Crisis in onor of your Birthday & never miss an issure with the crisis & the white people finding the Crisis in the public schools it has woke them up. I truly hope the crisis will find its way in every school and home in America. & wish you a glorious living and a glorsous accomplishment You will find enclosed 1.00 one dollar for my subscription for the Crisis

& remain yours Truly. J. F. Garrett

#847 Texas Ave C/o J.M. Scott Barber Shop.

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March 13, 1918.

Mr. T. G. Garrett,
847 Texas Avenue,
c/o J. M. Scott,
Shreveport, La.

My dear Mr. Garrett:

Let me thank you for your kind words of February 20.

Very sincerely yours,

WMPD/CRB.

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Ga. State College,
Savannah, Ga.,
Feb. 20, 1918.

Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.
Dear Sir:

The members of the Freshman Class wish to congratulate you upon your fiftieth birthday anniversary, and to express their appreciation for the great work that you are doing for the race.

We sincerely hope that your life will be long and pleasant.

We are,

Respectfully,

Freshman Class (1918)

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February 28, 1918.

The Freshman Class (1918),
Georgia State College.
Savannah, Georgia.

Dear Scholars:

I appreciate very much your kind words in your note of February 20.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Dear Editor

Please find enclose
one dollar for the re-newal sub-
scription for the crisis which
I enjoy reading so much. I note
the changes and the improvement
of the crisis from time to time
which is quite pleasing. Heartest
congraqulbtions to the editors in

his fiftieth birthday. May he
live to see many? I wish that we
had a few more Dr. Du Bois'.
Also find enclose one dollar for the N.A.A.C.P.

Respectfully
Hetty E Gilbert
18 W 57 st
City.

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February 7, 1918.

Miss Hetty E. Gilbert,
68 West 52 Street,
New York City.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your kind words and subscription.

Very sincerely yours,

WMBD/GRB.

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P.S. as a reader of the crisis for many years, and reading of the good that Dr Du Bois has done for our people I feel it my duty to say something, and that something is a joy and pleasure to me, and of benefit to all the negro who have read the Greatest Colored Magazine in the World the Crisis May God be with Dr Du Bois, and long may his Life work prove to the world, of much good to Our Race, and a Crown of Triumphs for Him my Hearties Wishes for Health Wealth, and

over.

Success

Your Humble One
for better in Life
Paul H Gilbert
Agent for
East Youngstown
Ohio

February 15, 1918.

Mr. Paul M. Gilbert,
East Youngstown, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words concerning my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Return

Camp Zachary Taylor,
Louisville, Kentucky
October 26, 1918.

Why Germany will beg for peace and submit to all fair proposals.

1. Germany's best physical men have entered the War and most of them have been either killed, wounded or captured. Her present fighting unit consists mostly of old, young and unfit men.

2. Germany's resources have been cut off from the rest of the world to a certain extent. Holland, Sweden and some parts of Russia are her main imports. These countries at the beginning of the war were supplied freely, but now the Allies have limited them in their exports, on account of conveying supplies to the Central Powers.

3. At the beginning of this war, the greater part of the world was unprepared to fight with the exception of Germany. After it had become known that it was going to be a World War and Germany was jeopardizing the safety of the World, then the Neutral Countries and others began to spend money for a larger Army and Navy.

4. The United States Government has entered the war with her population of 110,000,000 and an intelligent, fresh Army.

5. All of the past battles have been fought on soil outlining the German territory. We, the Allies are now nearing the German boundary line and through this are causing the morale in Germany to be broken.

6. We have made a success of our shipbuilding and the crossing of the ocean, this the Central Powers know.

7. The Allies day by day are increasing their man power and out numbering the Central Powers, producing more experienced man and taking a greater interest in the war.

Quiter By Capt Atkins.

8. ~~Germany has lost from a standpoint of humanity and materially she has not lost much. At this time it would be foolish for her to continue farther, as she has everything to lose and nothing to gain. She has been intelligent enough to stop at her declining days, when her nation is about to be put into a perilous condition. Germany is not aroused and is looking toward the future.~~

9. ~~We ought to, as a nation fighting in this war, march directly to Germany, disarm her and establish a military guard in Berlin and all the outlining territory of Berlin in Germany regardless of whether she asks for Peace or not. This parceling could last at least a year.~~

Private A.R. Gillespie
71st Co. 18th Tr Bn 159th D.B.
Camp Zachary Taylor,
Louisville, Kentucky.

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522 Broad St.,
Elyria, Ohio.
Feb. 18, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Editor Crisis.
70 - 5th Ave., New York City.

SUBSCRIPTION DEPT. FEB 20 1918

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Dear Sir:

I have been reading the Crisis for some time and think the greatest "defender" of the rights of the Colored people in the world. I want you for the sincere and able service you have rendered us.

Here with find 1.00 for a new subscription. Send it (the Crisis) to the public library of Elyria, Ohio. I want the white people who go there to read it. Please send them the February number, your birth day number, then send it for 12 mo to the library here. The people need just the information you give in the Crisis.

Best greeting to you on your 50th anniversary.

Yours respectfully, C. M. Tilliard.

February 26, 1918.

Mr. C. M. Gilliard,
522 Broad Street,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Gilliard:

I want to thank you for your kind letter and subscription to THE CRISIS.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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N 1 Jefferson Ave. Brooklyn
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Sep. 8 — 18
Dr. W. E. Burkhardt DuBois
70 — 5th Ave. N.Y.

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Dear Dr. DuBois,

Your manly straightforward statement in the Sep. "Crisis" must stem the tide of hasty criticism, and must re-establish you in the minds of those who criticise you, that is if they are honest and fair. Of course if they are mud slingers — let them go. There has never been from your pen, an article unworthy of the highest brain, the most daring & fearless advocate

of our Race.

You wrote well in your Sep. article when you said "One witness may deceive a multitude" can long escape Conviction" was true even before Lincoln's time it is true to day.

I am writing you for two reasons, first to say the above and second to ask if I were to call upon you for a reference as to character, fitness and ability for Social Work Overseas would you be willing to strain

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a point, circumvent the truth and injure your conscience, by saying a good word for me?

I returned to Brooklyn a few days ago, & sorry I did not get to Seaside before you left - I am now doing absolutely nothing whereby to earn a livelihood. Do you recall what I told you last Summer I was going to write a book? Well I failed ignominiously.

Seriously speaking Dr,

I love my people next to my God, whom I adore, and my aim and purpose is to help somewhere, somehow: if not in America, I will gladly go Overseas, if they need me and will accept me.

Because you are our biggest Man I would like to use your name some time, if the occasion presents itself — please let me know if May had a very pleasant time with Mr. DuBois

this Summer at Sea-
side City.

I know you are a
busy man, but
please let me hear
from you soon
would have come
over and asked this
personally, but feared
I might take up too
much of your time.
Keep up your noble
fight, victory, honor
and a Crown awaits
you.

Yours
Mary J Gordon
(Aunt Mary Jane Smith)

1911/12

203 Miller St. E. Dedham Mass.

Dear Dr. Du Bois, FEB 25 1918

Wolfs

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not on the attainment of years, (it is not common here as others) but on being able to render such a good account of the time, opportunities, and talents that have been given you. and your friends, Medora C. Gould.

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March 6, 1918.

Miss Medora W. Gould,
303 Milton Street,
East Dedham, Mass.

My dear Miss Gould:

I thank you very much for your kind greetings on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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September 12, 1918.

Mrs. Mary J. Gordon,
1 Jefferson Avenue,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Gordon:

Thank you for your letter of September 8. I shall be glad to have you use my name in any application for work that you may make.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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Dec. 20. 1918. Excelsior W. Va

Dear Sirs you will find $1.00 money order for one year subscription to the Crisis, I received the sample copy and was much pleased with it

I see on page 288, Concerning Co-operative guild, & the of 12 representatives from 7 states with this 3 fold program. we ar working on a Co-operative store at Beckley W. Va $3.000 is men with $1.000 each in Beckley we have 18 Coal Mines 3/4 of miners ar Colored people, we are going to handle every thing for Mining supplies.

Or first plan is the foundation that will consist of 5 Manager which will have to give give Bond and sec & Treas and he also give Bond this matter of buiness, not a play house. I feel we need some in formation a long this line. the reason I want so much money behind it so we can buy for Cash which is Cheaper then buying on Credit you see we can sell cheaper.

Will you please hand this to the Chairman of that committee in your office

Yours Truly.

Mack. Graham.

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For Correspondence

Sanford Fla.,
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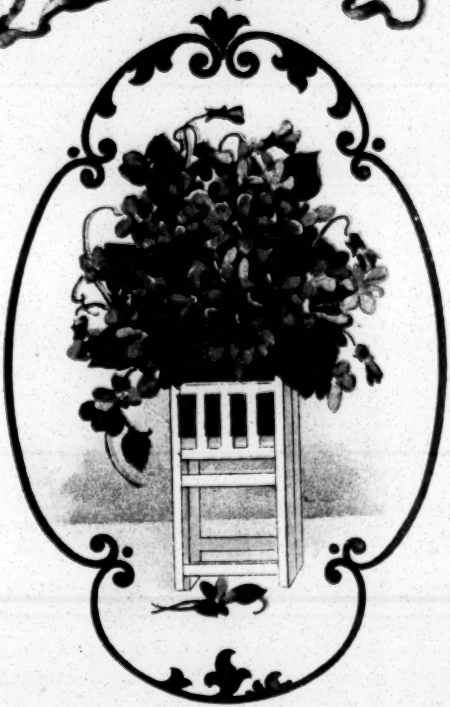
May you see
many more years to
serve your Fellowman
as you have so
unselfishly done
in the past Sincerely
Albert A. Gramling

For Address Only.

Dr W. E. Burghardt Du Bois
#70 Fifth ave.,
New York
City



Birthday Greetings

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February 28, 1918.

Mr. Albert A. Gramling,
Sanford, Florida.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind remembrance on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

THE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
5 AVENUE AND 10 STREET

February 26, 1918

My dear Miss Ovington,

I was exceedingly sorry that by some mistake the dinner to Dr. Dubois, at the Civic Club, on Monday night, was sidetracked which prevented me from having it clearly before me until my evening had been otherwise disposed of.

Everybody in this country interested in justice for the negro is indebted to Dr. Dubois for a leadership in the study of his race that not only is illuminating but has placed him among the gifted authors of the country.

In these days when the colored people of this country have been particularly the prey of their enemies, north as well as south, I should have been glad to join with the friends of Dr. Dubois in showing him my respect and regard.

Very truly yours,

Percy S. Grant

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My Dear Dr. Dubois,

As to-day is the anniversary of a very important day in your life, allow me to felicitate with you on this your birthday. I wish for you a continuance of that happiness, usefulness and a long and pleasant life.

More years but add to loveliness,
And sweet experience comes to bless;
Like to the Autumn's coloring touch
It hallows all.

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Yours truly,

J. N. Gray.

1221 Pine Street,
Phila., Pa.

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois,
New York City.

March 6, 1918.

Mr. J. H. Gray,
1221 Pine Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words and little poem on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Dr. W.E.B.DuBois
℄ Crisis Magazine
70 Fifth Ave . N.Y.City

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My dear Sir.

I note with interest that you are inaugurating a Co-operative Movement among the Negroes of the city, which would seem to be a very desirable project.

I am wondering however, why you cannot work in friendly co-operation with this Committee on Organization, whose purpose is , as soon as sufficient pledges can be secured from Consumers themselves, to actually incorporate a GREATER NEW YORK WHOLESALE AND RETAIL CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION LTD. on the same lines as the great ROCHDALE SOCIETIES of Great Britain, which now control and stabilize Market conditions all over the country. Similar organizations would do the same thing here.

Owing however to the wide spread ignorance of the subject among the masses, the first requisite seems to be an educational Propaganda covering the whole city, in which we are already engaged, through Community meetings wherever we can obtain a hearing, before any Civic, Social, or religious bodies, and Community Centers.

Whenever a place of meeting will be provided, and proper notices given, we will send a competent speaker without charge, to present the matter, and help to organize local committees to carry on the work under special instructions which we will firnish. Desirable Co-operative literature will also be furnished at each gathering for free distribution.

Our plan contemplates the eventual establishment of a great Chain of Co-operative Retail Stores, with a minimum of not less then 20 groups or branches of not less than 200 members each, or a total minimum of 4000 members in each Borough. All that we are now seeking is pledges. No payment will be called for, nor any business whatever transacted until this minimum is secured, which will insure a paying business from the start.It may take a year or more . When secured, due noticewill be given for payment to some Local Trust Co, to be designated as Fiscal Agent, which will give its receipt to be exchanged for Shares when issued. And if for any reason, the proposed organization should not be completed as proposed, will return money to subscribers. When called for, payment may be made either in full, or in easy weekly instalments as desired by the subscriber.

It seems to me that with the proper effort, it should not be difficult for you to organize one or more local groups of such members among the colored people, which could then become local Branbhes of the proposed Chain . 200 members in any one locality will insure a branch retail store in that section. Each group will have i s own local management under the direction of a General Manager of the whole Chain, and who himself would be under the control of the Board of Directors, composed of one representative to be elected by each local branch.

I see no objection to admitting groups of colored people into such a chain, which would thus give them the same advantages of wholesale buying,and all other accruing benefits.

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If you are interested in my proposition and would like some further information, I should be glad to meet you at my office as above, any day about 11 A.M. and would talk the matter over with you.

Meantime however as stated, the first essential will be an educational campaign as suggested. And if agreeable to you, and you can arrange for a series of meetings during the winter, the Committee will furnish you its facilities as far as possible. Our work is entirely gratuitous in the city.

Asking your kind attention

I am very sincerely yours Walter P. Long

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March 9, 1918.

Mr. J. I. Green,
Cambridge, Maryland.

My dear Mr. Green:

I thank you for your kind words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Nov. 14, 1918

Mr. Walter P. Long, Secretary
217 Broadway
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Long:

Answering your letter of November 6th, I beg to say, that we shall be very glad to co-operate with your association when once we get started.

At present I am simply trying to build a favorable public opinion by inducing people to read the literature of cooperation and study the movement.

I think in a year or two we may be able to start one or two stores, and it would of course be greater to our advantage to buy of any Wholesales already established; in the long run of course, the colored people would want to start their own Wholesales so as to furnish employment for colored clerks and managers, but as that development is some time off, it is not a matter of present importance.

I am not sure whether we can make any beginnings in New York City, but I will talk the matter up, and let you know in a few months.

Very sincerely yours,

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Cambridge, Md. Feb. 23, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois;

Dear Sir; I send you cordial greetings on your 50th birth day. I congratulate you on the success which have come to you in your editorial life. I trust that you may be spared to defend the downtrodden of your race a long time.

Yours Truly,

J. L. Green

Cambridge

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HEADQUARTERS

Headquarters VI Army Corps
American Expeditionary Forc
Dec.6,1918.

My dear Senator:

Now that a reorganization of the army is in prospect, and as all officers of the temporary forces have been asked if they desire to remain in the regular army, I think I ought to bring a matter to your attention that is of vital importance not only from a military point of view but from that which all Southerners have. I refer to the question of negro officers and negro troops.

I have been Chief of Staff of the 92nd (Colored) Division since its organization, and shall remain on such duty until it starts its movement in a few days back to the United States, when I go to the 6th. Corps as the Chief of the Operation Section of that unit. My position has been such that I can speak from intimate knowledge and what I have to say is based on facts which I know fully and not from secondhand information.

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To start with: all company officers of infantry, machine guns and engineers were negroes; as were also most of the artilery lieutenants and many of the doctors. Gradually as their incompetence became perfectly evident to all the engineers and artillerymen, were replaced by white officers. They remained with the infantry until the end, and also with a few exceptions with the machine guns.

The record of the division is one which will probably never be given full publicity, but the bare facts are about as follows. We came to France in June, were given seven weeks in training area instead of the four weeks in training area usually alloted, then went to a quiet sector of the front. From there we went to the Argonne and in the offensive starting there on September 26

had one regiment in the line, attached to the 38th. French Corps. They failed there is all their missions, laid down and sneaked to the rear, until they were withdrawn. Thirty of the officers of their this regiment alone were reported either for cowardice or failure to prevent their men from retreating. - and this against very little opposition. The French and our white field officers did all that could possible have been done; but the troops were imppssible. One of our majors commanding a battalion said "The men are rank ~~xxxxxx~~ cowards, there is no other word for it."

Next we were withdrawn to another defensive sector where we remained until the armistice; having some minor engagements against any enemy who had no offensive intentions.

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During our career, counting the time in America, we have had about thirty cases of rape, among which was one where twenty-two men at Camp Grant raped one woman, and we have had eight (I believe) reported in France with about fifteen attempts besides. There have been any number of self-inflicted wounds, among others one captain.

There have been numerous accidental shootings, several murders, and also several cases of patrols or sentinels shooting at each other. And at the same time, so strict had been the supervision and training that many officers passing through our areas would remark that our men actually had the outer marks of better discipline than the other divisions. They were punctillious about saluting, their appearance was excellent. They kept their animals and equipment in good condition. General Bullard, commanding our Second Army, asked me my estimate, and I said they could do anything but fight. They have in fact been dangerous to no one except themselves and women.

In these organizations where we have white company officers, namely the artillery and engineers, we have had only one case of rape. The undoubted truth is that the Colored officers neither control nor care to

to control the men. They themselves have been engaged very largely in the pursuit of French women, it being their first opportunity to meet white women who did not treat them as servants.

During the entire time we have been operating there has never been a single operation conducted by a colored officer, where his report did not have to be investigated by some field officer to find out what the real facts were. Accuracy and ability to describe facts is lacking in all, and most of them are just plain liars in addition.

The foregoing is just to give you an insight into the facts. Should any effort be made to have negro officers, or for that matter negro troops, the career of this division should be asked for; and every officer who has been a field officer of the 92nd Division should be summoned before the Committee to give his experience and opinions. Their statements, based on a year's experience should certainly carry a great deal of weight, and all of them state the same thing, only varying in extremes.

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With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours

(Signed) Allen J.Greer,
Colonel, General Staff, U.S.A.

Hon. Kenneth D. McKellar, U.S.Senate,
Washington, D.C.

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Washington, D. C. Jan. 28/18.

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My dear Dr. Dois:

Thank you for your intimate
view of yourself in the February book.
Thank you for all the brave & big things
that you have done for the race: Thank
you & yet again thank you for the times
you & yet again thank you for the times.
May your path widen & brighten.

Yours cordially and

Archibald H. Grimke.

February 2, 1918.

Mr. Archibald H. Grimke,
1415 Corcoran Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Grimke:

I thank you very much for your kind words of January 28.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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1415 Corcoran Street,N.W.
Washington,D.C.
February 8 ,1918.

Dear Dr.Du Bois: FEB 9 1918

I understand that your fiftieth birth-day will soon be upon you.As one of your friends I wish to extend you my warmest congratulations.It is not the mere fact that you have lived fifty years that impresses me,and that I am congratulating you upon,but upon the very commendable manner in which you have used those years:first,in qualifying yourself by severe mental discipline,by hard study in some of our great schools of learning;and,second,in the vigorous manner in which you have addressed yourself to the stern realities of life since. You have not only written some notable books,and built up the most important and influential journal that to-day represents,and ably represents,the interests of our poor struggling race in the midst of this Negro-hating republic;but you have also been in the forefront of the struggle for equality of rights and opportunities for the race. When sycophants and time-servers were

"Crooking the pregnant hinges of the knee
Where thrift may follow fawning,"

you stood up like a man,bravely,uncompromisingly for our rights,- manhood rights,- civil and political rights.

"Right is right,since God is God,
And Right the day must win,"

has been you faith,and still is.

I feel,as a race,that we

are under many obligations to you,not only because of the things for which you have stood,and the manner in which you have stood,but also in view of the circumstances under which you have stood,- in the midst of a bitter,adverse public sentiment among the whites,and in the face of a lot of carping critics and self-effacing Negro leaders among ourselves. Without undervaluing industrial education,and while fully appreciating the higher education,insisting upon the necessity of it,and accepting,as a matter of course,the Negro's adaptability to it ,the thing for which you have stood particularly,and which,in my judgment,is more important than either of the other two,is his manhood,- his God-given right to be treated as a man, and his Constitutional right to be treated as an American citizen,entitled to all the rights and privileges that other citizens are entitled to, and not as a matter of favor,but on precisely the same ground. The note sounded by you has always been clear,unmistakable, uncompromising.There has never been any shilly shallying on your part.You have never shown the white feather.You have never given any evidence of the fear of man in the pursuit of what you felt to be your duty,and in asserting what you believed the race was entitled to. You have not been silent in the midst of the wrongs from which we have been suffering.You have always cried aloud regardless of personal consequences.You have never been a time-server;you have never been a truckler;you have never been an opportunist;you have

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never sought to win the favor of the whites by sacrificing the race, or your own self-respect. And because of these things,- because of your manly, self-respecting, fearless, and abundant labors
race-loving spirit, we honor you: we say, Well done, good and faithful servant. We trust that many, many more years of usefulness may be allotted to you. "May your bow still abide in strength, and your hands be made strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob."

As ever,
Your sincere friend,

Francis J. Grimke

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February 14, 1918.

Dr. Francis J. Grimke,
1415 Corcoran Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Grimke:

I appreciate deeply your kind words in your letter of February 8.

Very sincerely yours,

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Prince George, B. C.

February 16th, 1918.

Mr. W. E. Burghardt Du Boise,

70 Fifth Avenue,

New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I am among the many of your staunch supporters and well-wishers who from month to month witness the courageous efforts being made in behalf of a misunderstood people; the heroic sacrifices of Patience, Suffering and Devotion.

And above all I am mindful of your able character and leadership.

I congratulate you on this 23rd of February-- the half century mark of your days; and may it be, " A jubilee unto you, and holy; and may you enjoy the increase thereof, out of the field."

With many happy good-wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

H. W. Gross.

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"Equal Rights and Opportunities for All Americans"--Our Motto

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Hillburn, N. Y., Feb. 22, 1918

1868–1918.

Sincerest best wishes for our Wise, Earnest, Brave, Devoted race leader. Long may he live!

Very sincerely,

Byron Gunner.

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March 5, 1918.

Mr. Byron Gunner,
c/o National Equal Rights League,
Hillburn, New York.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words of February 22.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Hillburn, N. Y., July 16, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Ave., N.Y. City.

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My dear Dr. DuBois:

Please accept my hearty congratulations upon your recent appointment as Captain in the Intelligence Department of the United States Army.

I shall deeply regret, however, should said appointment necessitate your resigning the editorship of the Crisis.

Very Sincerely yours,

Byron Gunner.

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July 17, 1918.

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Rev. Mr. Byron Gunner,
Hillburn, New York.

My dear Mr. Gunner,

Thanks for your letter of July 16 to Dr. DuBois. He is now away from the office on his vacation and will not return until the latter part of August. I am, however, sending him a copy of the letter.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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LIBRARIAN.

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Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. W. E. Burghart Du Bois.
New York City

Dear Sir,

I read in the "Crisis" where you asked your friends to write you on your birthday. Of course I ~~have~~ not the honor of listing myself as such, yet I wanted you to know, that I appreciate your great efforts, in working for justice to all mankind. Your efforts are not proving in vain. The world needs such a type of manhood, who dares to do right.

We ask you for a photo to be placed among our "Great Men" collection. A reply from you stated, that

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Nashville, Tenn. 2 -

You had instructed Mr. Seulock to send us one. We have not received it. We are anxiously waiting.

Very sincerely,
Marian M. Hadley.

March 5, 1918.

Mr. Marian M. Hadley,
c/o Negro Branch Carnegie Library,
Nashville, Tennessee.

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My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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Atlanta Univ

Atlanta, Ga.

Prof. W. E. Burghardt Du Bois:-

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my infinitesimal bits would
could interest him or any
one in my Biological research
so as to detach some of his
coin from him for further pur-
suit in that direction I
should certainly be glad. I want
to get to Columbia again if
this war will let me. I hope
may all have to get into the
for. departments to help
in some of their Laboratories
for Agriculture or Chemical
work. I feel as if one ought to
take their summers and find
some place of that sort where
their Chemical or agricultural work
would be most useful.
Please remember me to Mrs. Du-
bois and Yolande. Have
you been getting on during these
"rubber", "wheatless", "meatless" days.
Thank you also for the kind
remembrance of Christmas.
Again accept my very good wishes,
Very sincerely,
Mabel D. Hancock.

Remember me to Mrs. Dubois and Yolande. Have you been getting on during these "rubber", "wheatless", "meatless" days.

March 5, 1918.

Miss Mabel D. Hancock,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Miss Hancock:

Thank you for your kind words.

If I see any money rolling around alone I shall be glad to steer it to Columbia for you, but you know I never have had good eye-sight in that line.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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28th of Jan. 1918

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My Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I enclose a number of progams that came to me during the past month — clippings were sent me with the request for their return as usual, so they had to go back to the senders, with explanations and request that they communicate direct with the Crisis. The Musical America reminder is also enclosed

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that you may know that the subscription has expired.

I have been very ill, but sat up Saturday that I might make the effort to keep the Ford Hall engagement last night. From what the Doctor says, I am just a bit discouraged and have cancelled a number of important Boston engagements for the immediate future.

Of course you know that we wish you many, many happy birthdays to come and are glad that you're fifty years-young, finds you so well.

I have a remembrance of one of your birthdays — the 21st, that would have given you pleasure, and perhaps some amusement to have seen now — 29 years

after! But indeed, my good friend, after your uncalled for rudeness, I would not trust you with the loan of it. Rather, I will keep it safe in lavendar and rosemary.

Best wishes for your future Lue, but Oh, do try not to lessen the wonderful value of your work or at least to limit your influence by the studied discourtesy you measure even to your best friends.

Very Truly Yours. — Maud

February 2, 1918.

Mrs. Maude Cuney Hare,
43 Sheridan Street,
Jamaica Plain, Boston, Mass.

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My dear Maude:

I thank you and Will very much for your kind words and I am sorry to hear that you are not well.

If there has been any discourtesy on my part it has been quite unconscious. I have not the slightest idea of what you are complaining.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

c/o G. BETTENCOURT,
OFFICE; ~~HORSE TOWER~~,
46 WATER STREET,
TELEPHONE, T46. P.O. Box, 182

MAR 11 1918

46 Water Street
Georgetown, Demerara,
22nd Feby 1918

W. E. B. Du Bois Esq
70, Fifth Avenue
New York City U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

I have been receiving the "Crisis" for some time now, just about a year ago. I first got interested in it through a man named Stewart, and now through one Jacob Van Kruningen. Your articles are very inspiring and encouraging, and very often one is worked up to a white heat of indignation at the indignities the Coloured people of the U.S.A. have to put up with. Of course we on this side dont know anything of such experiences, and we thank God for British rule.

I have just received this months number, and after reading your article, I desire to offer you my sincere congratulations on having celebrated your Jubilee.

I trust you will long be spared to carry on the good work on be half of our people.

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I am Dear Sir,
Yours Truly
C. Westarewood

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March 15, 1918.

Mr. C. U. Harewood,
c/o C. Bettencourt,
46 Water Street,
Georgetown, Demerara.

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Dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind congratulations on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

MAR 6 1918

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Edw[illegible] A.

121 Calhoun St.,
Charleston, S. C.
Mar 2, 18.

My dear Doctor,

I had hoped to have you receive a book plate (a drawing for which I have mailed separately) in time for the celebration of your fiftieth birthday, but my eyes have been bothering me and I had to give it over. The little thing is done now, and I send it with this one regret — that it will cost you a few pennies to have the plate made. That may be a bad kind of gift to make, especially to an editor, but then you might make the excuse that it is from a student to his friend and teacher.

It may have been better made or designed differently, but I am quite sure that no more fitting device could border the plate than this prophetic

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sentence "The problem of the Twentieth century is the problem of the color line."

And now that you are fifty, we are all thanking God that you have not yet lowered your colors nor turned from that straight course that leads through honor to glory. We who know you have preached your and prophecies this very day-which must be somewhat cheering after those painful days of misrepresentation and slander, as you intimate in that charming bit of autobiography in the February Crisis. Please give us something like it again - it sounds like the "Souls of Black Folk" essays.

I am writing Dill to ask of you the honor of your homely signature in "The Souls of Black Folk" and "The Negro." This is my eighth copy of the former, having presented seven copies since 1903 to friends I thought should know you better.

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I do not know how many more birthdays I wish you – it might be very embarrassing, but I do know that there will be sad days in Ethiopia when they cease.

Kindest regards to Mrs. DuBois and Miss Yolande.

Loyally yours,

Garlestone.

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March 12, 1918.

Mr. Edwin A. Harleston,
121 Calhoun Street,
Charleston, South Carolina.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words.

I am waiting with much interest to see the plate when you send it.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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52 Yes 15th Michigan ave
Atlantic City. N.J.
Feb 3. 1918.

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Mr Du Bois:

Dear Sir:

I read your piece in the Feb. Crisis. And felt as tho I would like to write to you. for it is so hopefull. And making one feel as tho we want to get right up and do something worth while.

Please

Excuse the writing, as
I am not a Writer. but
wrote to you just as I
felt.

Yours Truly

Miss Mamie Harley

[ENCLOSURE]

Birthday wishes.

The other day while
Reading the Crisis.
I saw the biography of
your life.
A biography full of love
and cheer.
Dotted here and there
with disgrace.
I do very hopefull all
through your career.
Have reached your
goal in life?

2/11/1300

Birthday wishes &
Heartly sendys.
Also wishing yu many
more!
May all Birthdays be
as happy as your last,
Filled with luv and
kisses.
Without despair.
As yu goal yu have
Reached.

February 13, 1918.

Miss M. Harley,
15 Michigan Avenue,
Atlantic City, N. J.

Dear Madam:

I appreciate your kind words of February 3.

Very sincerely yours,

WHBD/GRB.

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FEB 25 1918

405 Hamilton St.,
La Grange, Ga.
Feb. 20, '18.

Dear Dr. DuBois.

Of course you do not remember me, although I have met you more than once at Social functions.

I am not an alumnus of any School although a student of Mary Holmes Seminary as well as Tuskegee Institute, after my Public School career.

Certainly I have the highest regard for even the memory of Dr. Washington, and there was a time when I feel that the "green eyed monster" prompted you to make certain utterances

against me, "Da Broken";
but I want you to know
on this, "the passing of
your fifty-fifth mile-stone",
that since communing
with your inner Spirit -
by reading your books
and the "Crisis" I am
convinced that - when
you shall have entered
into that - last long sleep
the negro race will
awaken from its lethargy
and proclaim you the
most fearless and cour-
ageous leader it has
produced.

The "Crisis" has been a
rare stimulus to my race
pride so much so that -
you try ing to put it into the
hands of as many others

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3 as I can, already have sent in about 20 subscriptions.

May God spare you to us for many more "returns of the day" and thus continue the noble work which you are doing.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. D. K. Harrison

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February 27, 1918.

Mrs. D. K. Harrison,
405 Hamilton Street,
LaGrange, Georgia.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your letter of February 20.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Saturday February 23.

My Dear Dr. Du Bois,

I beg to congratulate you upon your fiftieth birthday; upon the happiness with which you look back at your achievements, and upon the proud satisfaction which your life has furnished me and many more of your admirers.

I first read of you when I was a high school student in my home in the middle west. You were coming to lecture on St. Francis of Assissi. The daily paper from the metropolis which

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paper served our agricultural community for miles around, devoted a full column to the coming distinguished speaker. There was quoted some of the poetic prose passages from the "Souls of Black Folk". I read and was enraptured. From that time you and I were friends. At least, I was your devoted admirer.

Boys are the vilest of idolators. The ordinary boy, we are told, worships a famous athlete, and will crawl any distance in following him, or endure untold hardship to get within inspection range. I was different. I worshipped scholars and scholarship. I scanned university catalogues as eagerly as boys are wont to read sporting guide-books. I was gratified by the impressive roster of the faculty and my heart heaved as I read algebra, geometry, trigonometry, calculus, and metaphysics. I was only in algebra. Up to that time I knew of no Negro scholars, so I concluded there were none.

Later I read of you as the leader of the "Intellectuals" and the Niagara movement, and the opponent of Booker T. Washington who was the idol of the people of the West. I did not understand the points of difference between you except in a very vague way. I was an admirer of Booker Washington like the people

around me. A handful of New England opponents seemed unimportant to me, for Washington's supremacy in the West was never threatened. I thought not less of you, for you were a scholar, a Negro scholar! And most delightful to me - there was no sign of inferiority in your writings. They read as well as the classics upon which I had been raised.

Be not alarmed at my reference to you as one of the New England Intellectuals. I am merely telling you how I felt at that time. Now I know that you two, i.e. you - and Washington should never have been in

conflict. For what you fought and unhappily must still contend is the simple end of all proper education: the training of the child for whatever he may become. Washington, in his zeal and success advocated his mould for all his kind - a sort of universal panacea. He never had the opportunity to study education scientifically or philosophically, so he put all of his powerful emphasis on the method he saw was largely needed in the circle about him. It was not his fault that he was hailed as a leader and a deliverer.

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He simply essayed the role assigned him. He is today the more worthy of absolution of harmful intent when trained educators are still applying the panacea either deliberately or thoughtlessly. Then economic necessity is much to blame.

In College, "The Souls of Black Folk" was the admiration of many of my fellow students, and the profoundest wish of each was that he might have been the author of it. At Ford Hall, I saw you in the flesh and heard you lecture. I was glad when you were called to New York to direct the researches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

I thank you for "The Souls of Black Folk"! A friend of mine who works in poetry and criticism assures me that you have some poems hidden away. I thank you for your scholarly researches at the University of Pennsylvania and at Atlanta; for "The Quest of the Silver Fleece"; for "The Negro"; and for "The Crisis." I thank you that you have stood up and insisted upon the true aim of education for all men. I thank you most of all that you have conscientiously done your duty as you have seen it, that you have never departed from the path of rectitude and gentlemanly conduct,

that you have never made us hang our heads or blush for you.

Instead of placidly summing up your life at fifty, why not look forward with new vigor toward seventy?

Hoping that you will pass that goal with undreamed-of achievements as your honors,

I am

Very Sincerely Yours.

Arthur Blaine Harrold
30 Warwick Street

Boston 1918.

March 5, 1918.

Mr. Arthur B. Harrold,
30 Warwick Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

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My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind letter of February 23 and for the interesting notes of your life.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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70 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

W. E. BURGHARDT DU BOIS

March 5, 1918.

Miss Sadie E. Conyers,
St. Athanasius School,
Brunswick, Ger

ALBERT BUSHNELL HART
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Feb. 24, 1918

Not being able to join in the festivities at the Civic Club in person, I take this method of associating myself with the dinner to Dr Beard on the twenty fifth.

I am one of those elite who knew him as a student - lighted a lamp or two in his path, was early in the number of those who foresaw his powers and success. He was a student of the ~~dangerous~~ unbeguiled kind who have their own motive power, who can go through a vineyard and pluck grapes to their own taste.

I early learned also the sensual ability to construct, to bring materials together from every clime and fashion them into a fair building.

To the academic successes in America and in Europe was ~~soon~~

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added the touch with mankind, the experience of travel, the knowledge of many parts of his own country, the deep appreciation of the social structure of the United States. The scholar became the observer, the teacher, the administrator. The forces of expression grew with use, and he developed the pen's skill in the mechanic drudge, now to serve, now to thrust, now to heave in the trials of Black Talk, he revealed himself as a writer of pure, nervous, vital English, with the ability to say big things in crackling language.

Out of his fifty years of life I have followed a good thirty - and have counted him always among the ablest and keenest of our thoughtful scholars, one American who moved his country broadly. Race leadership, William Edward Burghardt Du Bois is a man of distinction and accomplishment, whose researches and literary

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world, and public service entitle him to the good will and confidence of his fellow students, teachers and writers. Race has carried also in giving him a special knowledge ~~and~~ to speak and a special work. He has been able to do, and has done, what other of similar gifts could not do. He is a leader among ten millions, and his leadership has quite [been] character and accomplishment. He has pleaded for the higher education for there who yearned for it - and has proven in his own person that higher education is no respecter of complexions. The presence of this man of strength and courage has been a relief steadying influence - to inexperts as the nine ~~millions~~ race the. wards, the perils [illegible] of the less [illegible]. It is a good thing for us all that Du Bois has lived fifty fruitful years.

Albert Bushnell Hart

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April 15, 1918.

Prof. Albert Bushnell Hart,
775 Widener Library,
Cambridge, Massachusetts.

My dear Prof. Hart:

I want to thank you very much for the kind letter which you sent on my birthday.

I have been noticing that "The American Year Book" with which you are connected, always says surprisingly little about the Negro of America and elsewhere. Cannot something be done about this?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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ALBERT BUSHNELL HART
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November 15, 1918.

My dear Du Bois:-

In answer to yours of November 14, it would give me great pleasure to cooperate on an Advisory Board on the history of the American Negro in the Great War. I get to New York frequently, and will take an early opportunity to come into your office and make any suggestions that occur to me orally.

Sincerely yours,
Albert Bushnell Hart

Mr. W.E.B.DuBois.

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Anacostia Station, D. C.

R. F. D. # 1

February 21, '18.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois

70 Fifth Avenue

New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

I have read very carefully after you for the past ten years. During this time, I have never read one sentence which had been written out of place. That is, I have never read a single line which you have written that I could not fully subscribe to. You are a master at the job. You are the right man in the right place. You have wielded the pen mightily for the uplift of a down-trodden and despised people. You have not seen your labors fully rewarded; but you have, like Simeon, witnessed the ushering in of a new era affecting our people for good. I am with you, whole soul and body. I have never allowed a single person to say a word against you without answering him in unmistakable terms. I shall always defend you as long as you are at this herculean task of helping God put us where He

intended us to be placed--- and that is side by side with the other races. I do not flatter you in the least, to say, you are fully equal to the task.

I had planned to send you a better testimonial than this. I wanted to send you at least a half dozen subscriptions for the Crisis, for this is the work that really counts. I shall put forth my best effort to send in these subscriptions.

It is useless to add the words, permit me to congratulate you on your fitieth birth-day. God bless you that you may have fifty more, and that they be spent as you have the past fifty. I am,

Very truly yours,

Robert A. Hart

Pastor St. Zion Methodist Episcopal Church
Linden, Md.

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February 27, 1918.

Rev. Robert A. Hart,
R. F. D. No. 1,
Anacostia Station, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very deeply your kind words of February 21.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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THE GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

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20 November 1918

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Replying to your inquiry of 14 November, let me say that the best colored student we have had in recent years is Dr. Carter G. Woodson, editor of the Journal of Negro History, who is, of course, well known to you.

A very steady and nice sort of fellow, who is nearing the completion of his work for the Doctorate, is Mr. J. W. Bowen, son of Bishop Bowen, a graduate of Wesleyan in 1911. He spent three years in the Harvard Graduate School, working primarily in American history. He has not a great deal of initiative, but works steadily under direction and can be trusted. I think you would find him a useful collaborator in the work you have in mind. His address is South Atlanta Station, Atlanta, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Charles H. Haskins

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois.

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HARVARD COLLEGE
CLASS OF 1890

ADDRESS COMMUNICATIONS
TO THE SECRETARY
84 STATE STREET
BOSTON, MASS.

TELEPHONE MAIN 7048

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BOSTON, MASS., June 12, 1918.

To Members of the Class of 1890:

On Commencement Day, June 20, the Class will meet as usual at 19 Stoughton. No spread will be provided at the room, as the Class will lunch at the Alumni Spread, which will be served in the Yard from 12 o'clock until 1.30 P.M.

On Wednesday evening, June 19, a portrait of Colonel Azan is to be presented at the Harvard Club of Boston, and if any members of the Class who may be in the city will communicate with the Secretary he will be glad to supply them with cards for the Club on that evening.

A postal card is enclosed, from which the Secretary would like to compile a record of those engaged in military or civil activities of the Government in connection with the present war. Will you kindly fill this out with any information about yourself, or any men about whom you may know, and return it to the Secretary?

I am,

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH W. LUND,
Secretary.

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Associated Harvard Liberal Clubs
First Annual Meeting: Cambridge, Commencement Day, June 20, 1918

Room 1019, 50 Congress St., Boston, Mass.

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HARVARD LIBERAL CLUB
OF BOSTON

PURPOSE

To Associate Harvard Liberals in Clubs in all Cities
To Elect Liberals to the Board of Overseers and Directors Harvard Alumni Association
To Enfranchise Absentee Alumni
To Unify Alumni Liberal Opinion

March 4, 1918.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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WILLIAM L. MOWLL, '99
PORTER E. SARGENT, '96

A CALL TO HARVARD LIBERALS.

Harvard Alumni of Liberal tendencies are now being organized. A Club has been formed at Annapolis, another one is forming in Washington. Steps have been taken to organize in some of the cities of the middle west.

In New York the following men are acting as an organization committee: Roger Baldwin, Emory Buckner, Witter Bynner, Herbert Croly, Walter Prichard Eaton, Percy Stickney Grant, Learned Hand, John Haynes Holmes, Nicholas Kelley, Walter Lippmann, William P. Montague, William Morrow, George Foster Peabody, John S. Phillips, James Harvey Robinson, Mark Sullivan, Oswald Garrison Villard, Travers Whitney. Invitations have been sent to 200 for a meeting at the Harvard Club March 6th.

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The Boston Club is giving a dinner at the Harvard Club, March 15th, to greet 50 new members recently elected. Notify the Executive Committee if you can be present.

Already the knowledge of this movement influencing those who control has accomplished large results. A backfire of liberalism has been started. Unprecedented is the sudden withdrawal of Robert Bacon from the Corporation, and the substitution of John Farwell Moors who through his whole life has been identified with liberal movements.

The Committee to Nominate Overseers, has held up its overdue report to the Directors of the Alumni Association, and is about to name some Liberal Nominees to satisfy this demand. It is essential that such of these as CAN be elected receive our organized support.

Two more members of the Corporation are to be elected in in a short time. If Liberals make their voices heard and it will influence the future of the University.

If you are in sympathy with liberalizing of the University and broadening its influence, if you wish to see established a Harvard Liberal Club in your vicinity, write the Boston Executive Committee, and fill out tne enclosed card.

If eloquent preaching could have done anything, Emerson would have done it. ORGANIZE,

The Harvard LIBERAL Club of Boston.

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Intercollegiate Association of Liberal Clubs First Annual Meeting, New York City, July 6, 1918

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HARVARD LIBERAL CLUB
OF BOSTON

June 13, 1918.

All Harvard LIBERALS are invited to the Meeting of the
ASSOCIATED HARVARD LIBERAL CLUBS
Commencement Day, June 20th, at 10:30 A. M. in Seaver 11.

In the midst of War Commencement should present some opportunity for serious consideration of present day problems.

Come either as an individual or as a representative of your local Liberal Club. Reports from the Boston, New York, Washington and other Liberal Clubs will be presented.

Since the organization of the Boston H.L.C., John Moors, a life long Liberal, has replaced a Conservative on the Corporation. The Harvard Bulletin editorial has recently espoused the "Enfranchisement of Absentee Alumni" which the Boston H.L.C. has from the first carried on its letterhead. President Lowell at the Conference of the Boston H.L.C. May 21st, met us confidentially and sympathetically and invited our cooperation.

The H.L.C.'s message to President Wilson endorsing his policies has been acknowledged. The position taken by the H.L.C. on the importance of Human Engineering in connection with the McKay trust has met with enthusiastic response and support from: Woodrow Wilson, Ernest M. Hopkins, John Dewey, Chas. A. Beard, John A. Fitch, Thorstein Veblen, John R. Commons and others of the nation's leaders.

At the Intercollegiate Conference in Boston June 11th some twenty men representing a dozen colleges spoke on plans for organizing Liberal Clubs, and on University and social problems of the day. Committees were appointed to organize Liberals of the Colleges represented, and to investigate and report on subjects discussed. The N. Y. Intercollegiate Conference announced for July 6th was unanimously assigned to a later date.

Joseph Lee, whose life and fortune has been devoted to social betterment, and Judge Julian Mack, a national figure in Liberal movements and author of "The Soldiers and Sailors Insurance Act" have been nominated for overseers. They should have your Support and your VOTE.

If you cannot attend the Commencement Day Meeting send a message to be read. Send us the names of other Liberals of Harvard or other Colleges that should be on our mailing list. If you know no Liberals in your vicinity this Committee will send you a list.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Harvard Liberal Club of Boston

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State Normal School,
Nashville, Tenn.,
Feb. 20, 1918.

My dear Dr. Dubois:—

Although I cannot count myself among your friends, still as one who admires and appreciates you, I wish to join in with your hosts of friends and offer congratulations to you on this, your fiftieth birthday.

We all hope that you may live to be twice this age, still tenacious in your convictions, and with the

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persuade to express them openly. Truly you have served your race and this nation well — far better than either can, at present, appreciate; but let us hope that the gods will be propitious enough to spare you until true history has been written and you be placed as you deserve to be — an eminent man among men.

Yours sincerely,
Mac C. Holmes

March 2, 1918.

Miss Mae C. Haines,
State Normal School,
Nashville, Tennessee.

Dear Madam:

I appreciate your kind letter of February 20.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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W. ASHBIE HAWKINS

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HAWKINS AND McMECHEN
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
21 EAST SARATOGA STREET
BALTIMORE, MD.

TELEPHONE
3966 ST. PAUL

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Feb. 22nd-1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

To-morrow, I am told, marks the 50th anniversary of your birth, and with thousands of your sincere admirers I want to congratulate you upon the event, and to utter a prayer that your years may be many yet in which to serve the larger interests of our race and the country. Bro. Dill, your associate in the publication of the Crisis, suggests that the most appropriate way in which your friends could note the day, would be to help increase the circulation of that useful journal, and to that end, I beg you to use the enclosed check to pay for subscriptions indicated on appended list.

Wishing you personally every joy, I am

Sincerely yours,

W. Ashbie Hawkins

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March 6, 1918.

Mr. W. Ashbie Hawkins,
21 East Saratoga Street,
Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Mr. Hawkins:

Thank you for your encouraging words of February 22, and for the subscriptions.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Hayes Book Store
3640 S. State St.
Chicago Ills.

Feb. 13. 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Ave.
New York City,

Dear Sir,

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Please accept my warmest and sincerest congratulations on this your fiftieth anniversary, as well as my gratitude for the deep inspiration and encouragement I have derived from your work. Nothing, I assure you, has given me greater pleasure than to

mark the rapid, almost phenomenal growth of "The Crisis".

A few years ago I used to sell only five each month; now I sell hundreds with the demand much greater than the supply.

Wishing you increasing vigor for the continuance of your noble work,

I am

Cordially & sincerely yours

A. D. Thomas

40 State St.
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C. Booksellers
Maine

A. D. Hayes 3840 State St.
Newcastle
Negro Books & Literature
CHICAGO ILL.

February 19, 1918.

Mr. A. D. Hayes,
3640 S. State Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

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My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind letter of February 13.

Very sincerely yours,

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51 Curve Street,
Wellesley, Mass.,
September 3 1918

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Returning home last May after an absence of some months I found, in a quantity of unforwarded mail, The Crisis for February, 1918, and read the Jubilee Note. I want to be counted among your friends. This summer is gone, but I hope it is not too late for me to tell you that though you are only fifty years old your name has long been on my treasured list of those men and women who give me courage and hope, because the hope of the whole world is in them. I rejoice in your work and wish for you many, many more February twenty-thirds. It is a day that has need of you.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Ellen Hayes.

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August 20, 1918.

Mr. T. H. Hayes,
680 S. Lauderdale St.,
Memphis, Tenn.

My dear Mr. Hayes:

I am inviting a number of gentlemen interested in cooperation to a conference in my office August 26 and 27 beginning at 2 P. M. on the first day. I should be very glad to have you attend. I hope to make this conference preliminary to a national conference to be held sometime in 1919.

Kindly let me know if you can be present.

Very sincerely yours,

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ARDMORE, PA., Jan. 21 1918

Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois
Editor of The Crisis

Dear Sir:

Probably in the year of 1896 or 1897 one evening in the parish house of the Church of Crucifixion 9th and Bainbridge streets, Philadelphia it was announced that Dr. Du Bois would conduct a quiz in connection with a series of lectures on American history delivered by a white man whose name I do not remember. I inquired of one E.A. Bouchet, a Yale man who was at that time professor of science in the Institute for Colored Youth then located at 9th and Bainbridge streets, Philadelphia, but now at Cheyney, Pa., who Dr. Du Bois was. As I recall his answer it was divided into two parts. He said "he has the chair in sociology at the University of Penn." I looked around inquiringly, which act brought forth the other section

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of the answer "there he sits just ahead of you". "Just ahead of you". This is the only time I have had the honor of looking you in the back part of your head. I had to leave the lecture room somewhat early to catch a train for Ardmore, so I did not get the chance to look you squarely in the face. I speak about you as if I were personally acquainted with you.

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I have read and twice re-read "The Shadow of Years" and whatever I may say in this note or fail to say let me whisper this in your ear that I think you wrote this article for my special benefit and I am trying to give you heroic thanks for it. It has added just a little more starch to my backbone. I have become just a little enthusiastic about this article and the one on "Negro Education" and have made appointments with several

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of my friends to devote - an evening to the discussion or at least consideration of them. Let this note also serve as a congratulation on your 50th birthday anniversary Feb. 23. God bless you and "a slip of a girl". The hope for many years more of this rare service which you are rendering the white people of this "democracy". May you live to see them awake and repent.

2/14/1922

Respectfully Yours

R. A. Hayes,

228 Chestnut Ave.,

Ardmore,

Pa

February 5, 1918.

Mr. R. A. Hayes,
228 Chestnut Avenue,
Ardmore, Pa.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind letter of January 31.

Very sincerely yours,

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Mrs. J. Johnson

514 yrs

Lynchburg, Va.
R. 2 Box 7
Feb. 18th 1918.

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Dr. W. E. Du Bois
New York.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:-

A half century! A wonderful life! A life of service for your people! May your future years be as full of blessing and happiness as your past years have been full of helpfulness to humanity.

As an appreciation and a celebration we are re-organizing the Lynchburg Branch. May we operate along the same lines with the approved constitution of the dead Branch?

May I hear from you at once?

Yours very truly,
(Mrs) Mary Rice Hayes-Allen.

March 6, 1918.

Mrs. Mary Rice Hayes-Allen,
R. 2, Box 7,
Lynchburg, Virginia.

Dear Madam:

Thank you very much for your kind words.

I am asking the secretary to write you concerning the branch.

Very sincerely yours,

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CONGRATULATIONS EVER KEEP OUR COURAGE STIMULATED

PF HAYNES.

St. Joseph, Mo., 11-25-18
literature sent 11/26/18

The Crisis,

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Gentlemen: (7)

As per your statement in current issue of "The Crisis" that information regarding your co-operation plan would be given if written for, I am now asking and thanking you for the same.

2/15/19

As regards my non receipt of The Crisis; My address has never been changed and have received it here until three months ago.

Thanking you very cordially for your consideration I am

Yours Respectfully,

210 Francis St. P. F. Haynes

Friends pf

April 10, 1918.

Miss Emma J. Henry,
103 Burch Street,
Chattanooga, Tennessee.

My dear Emma:

I am very glad to hear from you. Mrs. Du Bois and Yolande join in best regards.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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2215 – 13th St. N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Feb. 24, 1918.

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My dear Dubois:

I want to congratulate you on reaching your fiftieth birthday. Of course there is a wealth of superstition clustering about this supposed middle milestone of the way of life. You probably share some of it. However that may be, I have been thinking for some days of a single sentence that would sum up and define with approximate truthfulness your contribution to the sum of human progress. I have not found the sentence, as yet, because your activities have extended in so many directions, and have touched practically every fundamental need of the people to whom

you have been specially sent. Without employing superlatives, it may be truthfully said that it is very difficult to name another man of the Negro race in America who has so thoroughly consecrated his training, his talents, his genius, and all the varied products of his mind to the single aim of opportunity, liberty, justice and humanity for the masses of the most despised and persecuted people upon whom the sun shines.

Another thing occurs to me as appropriate and truthful to say at this semi-centenary feast; your present activity as leader in a stupendous struggle for the realization of self evident truth and inalienable

rights was not of your voluntary selection. It was thrust upon you. You were "called" to it. When the civic and social soul of the race was at the point of extinction, a small group of men without masters to obey, or any material interest of any sort to promote, called you to take the principal place in a movement that was undesirable in everything except its inherent righteousness, I shall always be happy in the knowledge that I was one of those who urged upon you the acceptance of the call, and from that time to this have never

wavered or hesitated in my devotion to the cause, or my support of you.

Your fiftieth birthday is no turning point in your life. It is merely a convenient place to pause to take a loving look at the past, and to gird our loins for the future.

I congratulate you, and share with you the joy and inspiration which the occasion brings.

As your years, so may your strength be.

Very sincerely yours,

J. M. Hubbard,

March 2, 1918.

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Mr. L. M. Hershaw,
2215 Thirteenth St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Hershaw:

I appreciate very much your kind letter more than that of most people because we have been so long associated. I hope I deserve the good things that you say.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRP.

AUG 2 1918

2215 13th St., N.W.,
Washington, D.C., July 30, 1918.

21-1525

My dear Dubois;

I have been hesitating about writing to you concerning the storm now raging over the editorial in the July Crisis, and the captaincy, for the reason that I am so little informed as to all antecedent circumstances. On all hands there has been a degree of reticence and subtelty, as to the matter, that has left me without adequate information. At the meeting of the local branch, I endeavored, on the spur of the moment to defend you as best I could from what appeared to me, and appears to me, as being unjust aspersions and innuendoes. I can not understand how anybody who subscribed to the declarations

of the War Department conference, can consistently take issue with the editorial; nor can I see how anybody in his senses can criticise the appointment to the captaincy, unless he is prepared to meet a charge of discouraging persons from joining the military forces of the country. I have been thinking of writing something with these two ideas in mind for our local papers, but am not decided as to whether it would help matters. These attacks on you have a sinister aspect as I view them.

21-1-26

I want to assure you of my sincere confidence and support.

Very sincerely yours,

Frederick Law

Captaincy p-f

2/1/27

August 5, 1918.

Mr. L. M. Hershaw,
2215 Thirteenth St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Hershaw:

I want to thank you very much for your kind defence of me in that extraordinary meeting. As you have surmised, there is absolutely nothing to argue about. Two weeks after the July CRISIS was in print I was summoned to Washington and to my great surprise asked if I would accept a captaincy in a new bureau to work among colored people. I replied that I would, provided I could keep general control of THE CRISIS and would not have my salary reduced, the captain salary being one thousand dollars less than I now receive. This was assented to.

I have consulted Grimke, Storey, and a half-dozen other members of the board. They all consented. Even Grimke, although now he denies this and says that he asked for time for consideration. Subsequently at a small meeting of the board which happened to be dominated by pacifists, the scheme was voted down, leaving me in a very difficult dilemma. I should probably have accepted the commission anyway but the General Staff finally

decided not to establish the bureau. The offer had, as you may be sure, absolutely nothing to do with the editorial utterances in THE CRISIS. You are quite at liberty to use these facts, only it would be better not to start any controversy over the Grimke matter.

I always depend upon your good-will and friendship and I am sure you know that I appreciate it.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

21-1-28

CITY OF BOSTON LAW DEPARTMENT
73 TREMONT STREET

FEB 9 1918

February 8, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find my check in the sum of $2.00; of which $1.00 is for renewal of membership in National Association, and $1.00 for a year's subscription to the "Crisis."

On this your fiftieth anniversary, it gives me pleasure to say that under your temperate and intelligent nourishment, "The Crisis" has become an indispensable organ in the home of every self-respecting and Race-loyal Colored man and woman.

Very truly yours,

Lucius S. Hicks

Assistant Corporation Counsel.

N.A.A.C.P.
SUBSCRIPTION
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February 19, 1918.

Mr. Lucius S. Hicks,
73 Tremont Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind words of February 8, also the subscriptions.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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LUCIUS SUMNER HICKS
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW
702 WINTHROP BUILDING
7 WATER STREET
BOSTON, MASS.

November
15th,
1 9 1 8.

To The Editor Of The Crisis,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Sir:-

The Great World War having been brought to a successful close -- with Black Men playing no apathetic or inconspicuous part therein -- and Plenipotentiaries now being considered for places at the Peace Conference, the writer therefore, is addressing this open letter to you with the view that through your iniative or co-operation, Colored Men shall play no less a part in peace than they have played in war.

This involves two immediate and important propositions:

The sane and wise leadership of the Race from every section of the country should be assembled under the guidance and at the call of some such Representative as Dr. W. E. B. DuBois of New York, Prof. Kelly Miller of Howard University, D.C. or Prof. - W. S. Scarborough of Wilberforce, Ohio, in a determined effort to evolve a Commanding, Definite, Manly and Democratic Racial Polity which shall represent the composite views of the various groups by the appointment of a worthy and dignified Spokesman to weave into the fabric of the future Americanism an important and necessary constituent of the New Democracy; for if this conflict has meant anything to Colored Men, it has offered to them the opportunity of advocating and insisting upon the righteousness of their cause before a JURY more composite and impressionable than they were ever privileged to face heretofore. The slogan of war has been the preservation of the rights of Smaller Peoples. The slogan of peace is the exemplification of our profession of faith. And the Negro (despite ill-timed and unwise efforts in his own ranks) who has given his best for a realization of this Day, proposes and is determined to have his cause presented squarely to the world.

April 23, 1918.

Mr. T. Arnold Hill,
3303 South State Street,
Chicago, Ill.

2/16/114

My dear Sir:

I have been referred to you by Mr. Eugene K. Jones.

The time seems to have come when decent colored people have got to take a stand against Giles Jackson. His influence at Washington is growing and he is being used as a tool by some of our worst enemies. I understand from Mr. Jones that you have facts in your possession concerning Jackson's career. Would you be willing to communicate them to me either by letter or by word of mouth? I should, of course, hold anything that you told me in strictest confidence.

Very sincerely yours,

1251-Walter Pl. S.E.

1 Dupont Circle

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Washington, D.C.,
Feb. 4, 1918

Back to D.C.

Prof. D. W. Bond,
Edr. of The Crisis
Dear Sir:

SUBSCRIPTION
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I have with pleasure that my husband and I look forward to the arrival of your most interesting and valuable journal each month. We read every

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university - in 1899 - where you
were a member of the faculty.

"may this Birthday bring the
brightest thoughts you've
spent
And bring you great measure
of joy and content."

Very respectfully
Beatrix B. Hill.

W.B.

Mrs. Lois Mattingly - 414 - B st, n.w.
" Jeff Lawrence - 932 - 3rd st, n.w
" Wheaton B. Bell - 1900 - 10th st, n.w
" John T. Dyer - 2011 - 9th st, n.w.

lines, then lend it to our friends.

As a token of our appreciation
and in memory of your
birthday, we have secured
four subscribers, (subscriptions
and money order for four
dollars enclosed) and are
endeavoring to secure as
many more. If possible
kindly start with the Feb.
edition if not, the March
edition.

My husband, Alonzo B.
Hill was a student at Atlanta

February 13, 1918.

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Mrs. Beatrice L. Hill,
1251 Walter Place, S. E.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

I thank you and your husband very much for your kind words of February 4 and for the subscriptions.

Very sincerely yours,

WWRRD/GRB.

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Boyd INdustrial College,

Oakwood, Texas, Feb. 12 1918.

Prof. W. E. B. Dubois,

New York, N.Y.

FEB 16 1918

My dear sir.

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I have been reading the Crisis for a number of years and have enjoyed all you have written, but nothing more than I enjoyed your, The Shadow of Years, in Feb. number.

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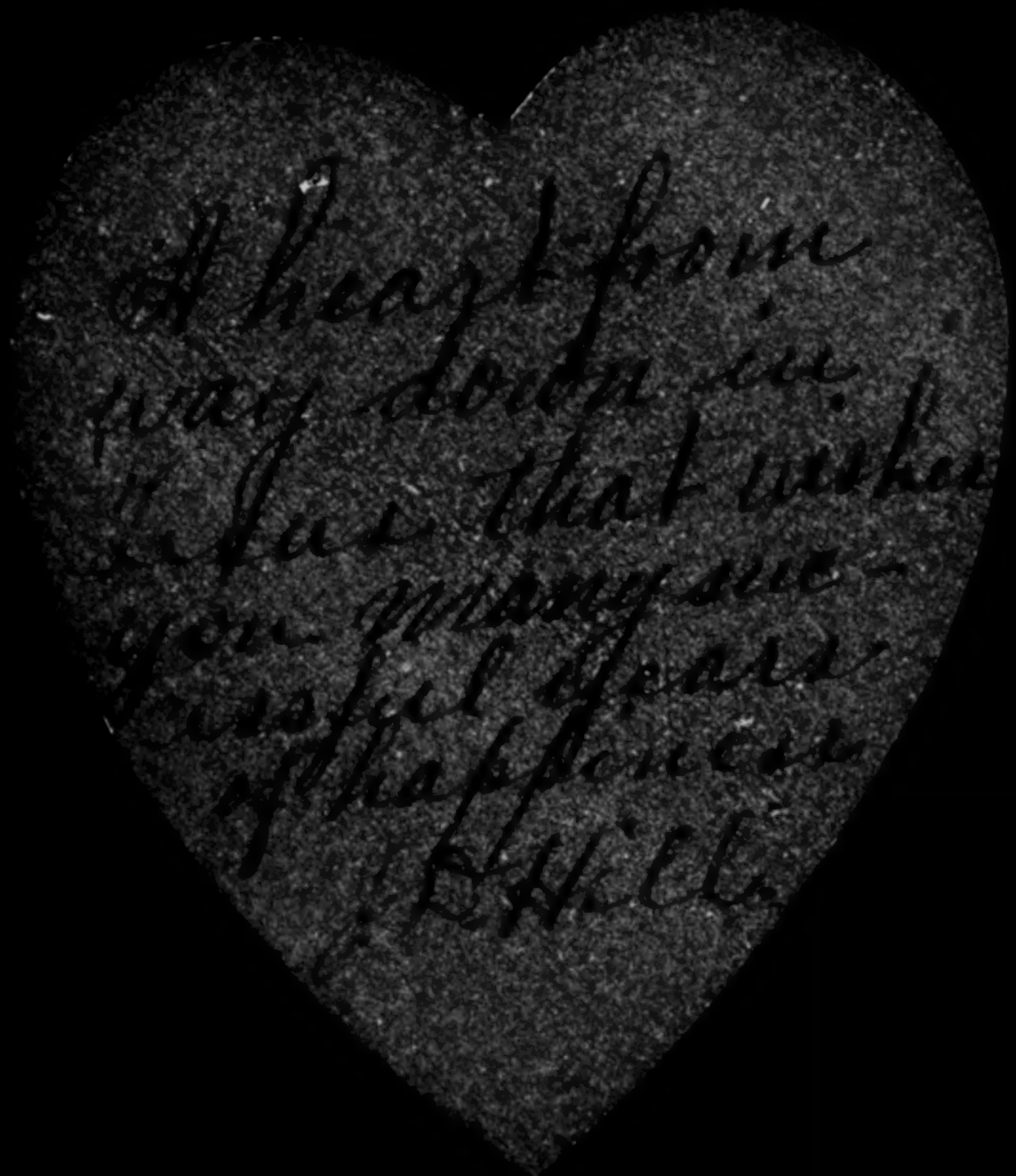
You are an inspiration to the boys and girls even in this outof the way place. We keep the Crisis on our reading table and encourage the young people to read it. You do not know me, but Iknow and have watched you all through your struggles to help our people and I must say that you are, in my opinion, a real race man. Some of our great men have not been spoken or sung. Afew have been spoken and sung, but none, in my judgment, were, or are, more worthy of speech or song than YOU.

Believe me, these are no words of flattery, but comes straight from the heart of one who believes in the ability of our race. The Negro has all the physicaland mental powers that other men have. You and others of our race have proven this.

If you do no more, your life is a continual reminder of the greatness of the Negro race.

With best wishes I am yours

J. D. Hill.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February 19, 1918.

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Mr. J. D. Hill,
Boyd Industrial College,
Oakwood, Texas.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind words of February 12.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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The Reception Committee of
The Historical Society of Pennsylvania
requests the pleasure of the company of
Dr. W. E. Burghardt Du Bois
on Thursday evening, April 11th from
eight until half past eleven o'clock.

1300 Locust Street.

1221 N. St. Bernard St.,
Phila. Pa., 2-27-18.

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Back to Desk

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir.

Please accept my heartiest congratulations upon your fifetty birthday. May long live Dr. DuBois and the good work you are doing.

I truly hope that you will be successful in increasing the circulation of the Crisis to 100,000 and trust that I may see this wonderful Magazine a weekly periodical instead of Monthly.

My best wishes are for your success (sful) and I am

Yours Sincerely,

Hubert H. Hewitt.

March 6, 1918.

Mr. Hubert H. Hoeult,
1221 N. St. Bernard Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words and beg to say that we are publishing one hundred thousand (100,000) copies of THE CRISIS for Easter.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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[Hocutt] Co-operative

1221 N. St. Bernard St.
Phila. Pa. Oct. 10, 1915.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
70 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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Dear Sir.

Kindly send me full information relative to the Negro Co-Operative Guild that was established in your office on August 26 and 27, 1915, and your obliging spirit will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,
Hubert H. Hocutt

Co-operative Guild P7

October 17, 1918.

Mr. Hubert H. Hocutt,
1221 N. St. Bernard St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Sir:

I am enclosing some circulars concerning co-operation. The object of of our guild is to get as many colored people as possible to study co-operation this winter. Can you arrange for some group or groups to make such a study? I shall be very glad to hear from you again.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD:AM:

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Jackson, Tennessee

P. O. Box 227.

February Twenty-second
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My dear Mr. Dubois:--

May I congratulate you upon attaining your 50th birthday (half century), conscious that you ne'er enter propositions half heartedly, permit me to intrude the wish that your great work and endeavors for humanity, the darker races and posthumous generations shall meet such favorable consideration Providentially. That, the other half century, (glowing with even greater achievements) will have been added long before the decree of further usefulness has been entered against your name.

Resign? No. Never-Victory! I pray the "Spoils" yours. "Fifty More."

My further contribution to longevity is the addition of seven new subscribers to The CRISIS.

Hoping to meet your personally, I am

Yours truly,

William D. Kolder

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March 7, 1918.

Mr. William D. Bolder,
P. O. Box 227,
Jackson, Tennessee.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind letter on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

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1315 Tea St., N. W.
January 28, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
The Crisis,
New York City.

Dear Doctor DuBois:

By whatever name we call the divinity that makes men for occasions when men are needed, to him we give sincere thanks for your half century. For during that time, the most critical for the Negro American, you have played the part of prophet, sage and champion.

For those who were blind, you saw.
For those who could not think, you thought.
For those who thought and saw but knew not
what to say, you gave cheer with golden speech.
For those who were afraid, you were brave.
For those who cringed, you had scorn.
For those who suffered, you made a plea.
For those who were wronged, you demanded right.
For those who oppressed, you had rebuke.
For those who would buy your soul, you had laughter.

Verily the gods gave unto you in proper measure the marks that make a man----a man sent up to free his people. For this we give thanks. None now can know or understand the meaning of what you are doing, not even you yourself. But men to call you blessed, with full vision, are yet unborn. We of to-day can only guess and believe and feel.

May the divinity that granted the first fifty years count the task as only half done.

Sincerely yours,

Dwight O. W. Holmes

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February 2, 1918.

Mr. Dwight O. W. Holmes,
1315 Tea Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Holmes:

I appreciate very much your kind words of January 28?

Very sincerely yours,

VEBD/GRB.

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CHURCH of THE MESSIAH
PARK AVENUE AND THIRTY-FOURTH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

FEB 21 1918

Office of
THE MINISTER

February 20, 1918.

My dear Mr. Shillady:-

It is a matter of profound regret to me that I am unable to do honor to Dr. DuBois by attending the dinner on the 25th.

I honor Dr. DuBois as a great literary artist, the most distinguished that his race has produced. I honor him as a scholar, the master of wide knowledge in the vast and vexed field of Negro life in America. Especially I honor him as a leader in the great cause of human emancipation, who is in earnest, who will not equivocate, who will not excuse, who will not retreat a single inch, and who will be heard.

Dr. DuBois's trials and sacrifices have been many. But he has the consolation of knowing that he has won not only the admiration and affection of many comrades in the good fight, but a sure immortality among the golden names of those who wrought the liberties of a great people.

Believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

John Haynes Holmes

Mr. John R. Shillady,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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February 22, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

The life that gave us "The Souls of Black Folk" and "The Crisis" is of such infinite necessity at this critical period in the race's development that thousands count it a real benediction to the race that on tomorrow you reach your fiftieth birthday endowed with health and hope for new victories and new achievements.

Although I have lived most of my life amid the breeding places of discriminations and injustice, you have emancipated me from quiet acquiescence and hopeless resignation and given me a deep resentment which craves constant expression. For this and many other things, I am personally grateful to you and am proud to add this feeble testimony.

Yours very truly,

Robt L. Holsey

February 28, 1918.

Mr. Albon L. Holsey,
Tuskegee Institute,
Tuskegee, Alabama.

My dear Sir:

Thank you for your encouraging words in your letter of February 22.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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My dear Mr DuBois:

I am glad to learn from The Crisis that you are going to celebrate your fiftieth birthday on the twenty-third of February. Please accept my sincere congratulations on reaching this important milestone in life's progress. You have fought s hard and a brave fight and it will not be in vain. Courage!

Yours faithfully,

Hamilton Holt

Dr. W. E. Burghardt DuBois
The Crisis
70 Fifth Avenue, New York City

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February 7, 1918.

Mr. Hamilton Holt,
119 West 40 Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Holt:

Let me thank you very much for your kind words of February 2.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Mr. Hamilton Holt

regrets that he cannot be present

at the dinner

given on the occasion of the

fiftieth birthday anniversary of

William E. Burghardt Du Bois

to be held at

The Civic Club

Monday, February twenty-fifth

at seven o'clock

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NEW YORK, April 25 1918

Mr W. E. Du Bois

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New York, April 25, 1918

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TRENTON, N. J., November 30, 1918

Mr. W. E. Burghardt Du Bois
70 Fifth Ave., N. Y. City

My dear Mr. Du Bois

I wish to thank you for the very kind interest you took in my appointment as war correspondent.

From letters received from Mr. Scott, Special Assistant to Secretary of War, I feel pretty well assured had the war continued and another colored man been appointed to such a position I would have been that man.

While I was anxious to go the glorious termination of the war makes us all rejoice that such necessities no longer exist.

The endorsements I received have made me know as I could not have before the friends upon whom I can rely in any wor - thy endeavor I might under needing their support.

Yours very sincerely,

Solomon Porter Hood

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Mr. Hugh Hyde

Atlanta Ga.

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Sends his regrets—

at not being able to attend.

THE CIVIC CLUB OF NEW YORK

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March 2, 1918.

President John Hope,
Morehouse College,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Hope:

Thank you very much for your kind words.

I always look forward to your coming to town with great pleasure. Hurry up and come again. Mrs. Hope called me up and Mrs. Du Bois called on her the other day. We hope to have her over to our house when she finds the time.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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Confidential P7

July 12, 1918.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL.

My dear Hope,

I want you advice. A curious and critical situation has arisen.

Major Spingarn wants me to accept a commission in the Intelligence Bureau of the General Staff of the Army. This is, you know, the Espionage Branch, but Spingarn hopes to tuen it toward constructive leasures with my help and with the cooperation of other officials of the Bureau.

Meantime, however, the colored people of Washington have got it into their heads that either I have sold out to the Government or that the Government is about to capture and muzzle me. Of course, on the other hand, I and all other editors are going to be muzzled during the remainder of this war, but the question is - will I be any more muzzled in the service or out?

I believe it a matter of great strategic policy for me to accept the commission, do my bit and then come back to my regular work, but just there comes the rub. I naturally do not want to give up THE CRISIS. I want to keep hold of its general direction while I am in the servic and I want CRISIS funds to help supplement my smaller military salary. The last meeting of the Board declined to agree with this, but I think it would not be difficult to get the consen

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of the Board. On the other hand, could I get the consent and the cooperation of the great mass of colored people, although the Washington colored people are hampering me in the work?

Think the thing over and write me. When do you go to France?

Very sincerely yours,

President John Hope,
Morehouse College,
Atlanta, Ga.

New York City July 22, 1918

Confidential

Dear DuBois:

Your letter was forwarded to me from Atlanta and I did not receive it until Friday night. I rather hoped that I could have seen you but it was impracticable to do so as I am making a week of study at Columbia University and your Sunday was required of me. For instance I had to go to church Sunday morning.

Now with reference to the matter of your letter, I rather fear my letter comes too late to help you if I could. But if you have not decided,

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there is just one thing that must be your guide = "Ought I to do it?".

This is now no time for anything else, and as for yourself you look most like a fool when you try to do the expedient or politic. As Dr. Jones once told Henry Palmer when he was coaching Palmer what to say in court = "Palmer I guess you will have to tell the truth. You haven't got sense enough to lie."

The great thorn in the flesh with you is the "Washington Push", and I

give that group full credit for its peculiar and unfailing power; but even at that we must be patriotic Efficients. Now, then to the point, do you Know that you will be able to do construction work or will you find yourself a secret service man pure and simple? That latter is a reason and honorable job, but is it your job? will it you efficiently patriotic? I know men who would be. It is this phase that I am thinking about, and if you have not already come to a conclusion, let me know

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whether there is any chance of my seeing you here in New York - There are two or three things that I could mention that might put a little light on your problem -

I do not know when I shall sail, but fear it will not be within two weeks, though it may be sooner. I have no news about my passport.

When you write address in care of

Mr. Sutton,
69 Darvall Street,
Corona, Long Island,
N.Y.

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my wife and John are
with me.

Hoping that I may see
you soon I am

Yours truly

Alex Hope.

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Regular meeting of the Board of Managers at the Nursery, the second Monday of each month at 4 p. m.

Cheques for Annual Subscriptions (payable in June and November) and donations should be made to Hope Day Nursery, and sent to Miss F. S. Mason, 58 W. 134th street, New York.

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DR. LEO FITZ NEARON....388 W. 137th St., N. Y.

MATRON

MISS M. E. BONNEAU.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The year 1918 crowned sixteen years of effort for Hope Day Nursery and saw the institution, for the first time in its history, in full possession of a home and clear of debt. Many friends seem to labor under the impression that the Nursery passed its time of financial stress when it secured title to the property. Such is not the case, however. Now that we have caught up with and cancelled old debts, new ones must be planned, because Hope Day Nursery must expand. We need more space to accommodate the increasing numbers of children seeking admittance to the institution. We cannot enter negotiations for larger quarters, however, unless we can see our way to meet present expenses. The high cost of living has used up the reserve left from the Rally very rapidly, although the strictest economy has been practised by the Matron and Board of Managers. New ways must be found to raise more money.

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The building is in better condition than ever. Needed repairs have been made and several features added to brighten the lives of the children and lighten the burden of the workers. New friends have been gained for the Nursery, which is always an augury of progress. But with the coming of new friends the Nursery and the Board of Managers suffered an almost irreparable loss in the retirement of the matron, Mrs. Margaret E. Napier, who had served the institution faithfully and cheerfully for ten years. Although failing health made necessary the resignation of Mrs. Napier, her going seemed all the more unfortunate because she was unable to remain with the institution under brighter conditions after having struggled so nobly during the dark days of want and sometimes despair with the same resourcefulness as if she were meeting the problems of her own home. Acknowledgment also is made for the assistance given her mother by Miss Beatrice Napier, during the last year of Mrs. Napier's service.

Treats were supplied at various seasons by Mr. Edmund Penfold whose continued generosity but increases the tenderness of the memory of the late Miss Penfold. Mr. West also repeated his summer party which has become an annual event. These gifts, especially mentioned because they have become fixtures in the routine of the Nursery, show the loyalty of old friends and afford inspiration to new ones. Effort has been made elsewhere in this report, to give full credit for every gift received and every kindness shown. Sometimes friends have sent donations anonymously and it has been impossible to identify the donors. To such benefactors thanks must be tendered in this general way, none the less sincere because anonymous.

The new matron, Miss Bonneau, has taken up the tasks laid down by Mrs. Napier, with an enthusiasm which promises well. The Board of Managers, as well as the children, are grateful for the opportunity of having her associated with the Nursery. The same cordial support which was given to the retired matron is solicited for Miss Bonneau and friends are assured in advance of a sincere appreciation of all help and suggestions given.

The Board of Managers thanks sincerely the president, Mrs. Albert S. Reed, for her efforts which contributed so largely to the success of the Great Rally. Mrs. Reed, with the assistance of Mrs. Arthur Murray Dodge, Mrs. Samuel Sloan and Building Fund Committee made possible the lifting of the mortgage and cancellation of all debts, some of which had been of long standing. Although a more extensive account is given in the Rally Report in acknowledgement of all the friends who made its success possible, the Board feels that this opportunity must not be neglected to make special mention of the work of Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Dodge and Mrs. Sloan.

MAUDE G. HALL,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE MATRON

This institution, as all others, has felt the duties incumbent upon it as a result of the war. The problem of food has been a difficult one but by close observation and very careful managing we have succeeded in keeping up to the standard. Responsibility for the welfare of the children has increased and our grievance if we have one is that we have not been able to care for all who have come to us.

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We were remembered very kindly on Thanksgiving Day by gifts of groceries, fruit and vegetables from our friends.

It was really a day of thanksgiving for us because of the healthy condition of the children and their parents. Although the influenza was a world-wide epidemic we had smooth sailing—not a single case—not even a very bad cold while it was raging. The Thanksgiving entertainment, "A Patriotic Evening," was quite a success. After the exercises by the children they, with their parents were given ice cream and cake.

Christmas with all of its joys came at last and the generous hearts of friends were again evidenced by their gifts to us. We had a Christmas tree from which each child received a toy and a box of candy. Our festivities closed with our dinner. The radiant sunshine of happiness seen on the faces of the children was proof that the real spirit of the season was in their little hearts.

We thank our friends most cordially for the support they've given us, and hope they will continue to remember us.

Respectfully submitted,

M. E. BONNEAU,
Matron.

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT

The children of Hope Day Nursery have enjoyed excellent health as a rule, during the year. There were a few simple cases which were easily cured. There was one contagious case which was promptly cared for and isolated. All applicants for admission have been uniformly healthy.

LEO FITZ NEARON.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1918, to January 1, 1919.

Receipts		Disbursements		
Balance in bank Jan. 1, 1918	$227.51	Salaries and Wages		$807.00
Managers' Subscriptions	78.50	Laundry		62.64
Auviliary Subscriptions	13.00	Food:		
Donations	287.24	Meat and Fish	$258.40	
Entertainments	879.98	Groceries	341.47	
Gleaners	12.00	Milk	330.98	
Rally Money (additional)	84.96	Bread	220.06	1,150.91
Refund	.25	Fire Escapes		1,363.00
Parents' Money	612.25	Fuel		147.10
	$2,195.69	Furnishings		16 25
Building Committee	3,909.72	Gas		67.84
		Telephone		43.33
		Repairs		169.80
		Sundries		29.09
		Printing		23.00
		Fees, Associations and Federations		6.00
		Doctor		50.00
		Drugs		11.63
		Ice		5.75
		Loans		300.00
		Stationery and Postage		8.43
		Evpressage		1.00
		Swing and Slide		15.75
		Balance in Bank		1,826.89
	$6,105.41			$6,105.41

Note.—One thousand dollars have been deposited in the Broadway Savings Bank as a nucleus for an endowment fund for the extension of our work.

HOPE DAY NURSERY STATISTICS

1918	Days Open	Aggregate Attendance	Daily Average	Highest Per Diem	Lowest Per Diem	Admitted	Families Represented	Parents' Money
January	27	524	19	27	9	2	11	$49.35
February	22	433	19	26	7	3	13	40.80
March	26	584	22	31	9	2	10	57.65
April	26	682	26	41	14	2	16	73.85
May	26	799	30	38	17	0	26	75.90
June	25	693	27	35	16	0	16	63.70
July	26	645	24	31	12	1	22	61.60
August	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....
September	13	312	24	36	9	11	8	18.90
October	27	621	23	36	4	4	28	58.90
November	24	649	27	38	9	3	28	57.10
December	25	636	25	35	10	0	30	54.50
Totals	267	6578						$612.25

MONEY DONATIONS—1918

Alston, Mrs. G.	$1.00
Bailey, Miss Sara L.	2.00
Berkeley, Mrs. A. M. (for swing)	9.25
Bland, Mr. Clarence M.	2.00
Board of Managers	37.00
Friend (for use of tables)	4.10
Greene, Mrs.	.50
Hyde, Mrs. Herbert M.	2.00
Kissell, Mrs. G. E.	5.00
League, Lucy Laney	6.00
Menyer, Mrs.	5.00
Murray, Miss F. J.	.84
Palmer, Mrs. J.	1.00
Penfold, Mr. E.	35.00
Polhemus, Miss.	3.00
Reynolds, Mrs. E.	2.50
Simmons, Mrs.	.50
	$116.69
Sale of papers (Mrs. S. Gray)	2.20
	$118.89
Telephone calls	.10
	$118.99

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AUXILIARY SUBSCRIPTIONS—1918

Floyd, Mrs. N. J. (1916-17)	$2.00
Henson, Mrs. Chas. (1917-18)	2.00
Murray, Mr. C. F. (1916-17-18)	3.00
Squire, Mr. Ernest (1918)	1.00
Wilson, Miss Edith (1917-18)	2.00
Wilson, Mr. Arthur (1917-18)	2.00
Wright, Mr. Raymond (1918)	1.00
	$13.00

MANAGERS' SUBSCRIPTIONS—1918

Berkeley, Mrs. A. M.	$2.00
Cottman, Miss Rosa	2.00
Dickerson, Mrs. F. C.	2.00
Francis, Mrs. T. B.	3.00
Gray, Mrs. Susan (1917-18)	6.00
Lewis, Mrs. R. F.	5.00
Lewis, Miss Blossom	3.00
McAdoo, Miss Maybelle	2.50
Mason, Miss F. S.	2.00
Mosely, Mrs.	2.00
Murray, Miss F. J.	5.00
Needles, Mrs. G. B.	3.00
Reed, Mrs. A. S.	3.00
Stevenson, Mrs. J. (1917-18-18)	6.00
Taylor, Mrs. F. W. (1916-17)	4.00
Thomas, Mrs. C. O. (1917-18)	10.00
Terrell, Mrs. W. O.	2.00
Williams, Miss Annie	5.00
Wortham, Mrs. Wm. (1917-18)	7.00
Wright, Miss A. C.	2.00
Wright, Mrs. W. F.	2.00
	$78.50

ENTERTAINMENTS—1918

May Entertainment	$762.68
Bazaar (Mrs. Whitehead)	76.97
Garden Party (Mrs. Malcolm Smith)	21.00
Whist Party (Miss Blossom Lewis)	18.33
Garden Party (Mrs. E. Greene) additional	1.00
	$879.98

GLEANERS—1918

Francis, Mrs. T. B.	$2.00
Redfield, Mrs. Cynthia	2.00
Stewart, Mrs. F. W.	4.00
Wise, Mr. E.	2.00
Wright, Mrs. E.	2.00
	$12.00

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THANKSGIVING DONATIONS

Archer, Mrs.	$1.00
Browne, Mrs. Margaret	1.00
Burling, Mrs. M.	1.00
Berkeley, Mr. A. M.	1.00
Cottman, Miss Rosa	.50
Caffey, Dr. F. C.	1.00
Caven, Miss Cornelia	.50
Dias, Mr. J. W.	1.00
Deaver, Mrs. J. N.	1.00
Elliott, Mrs. H. J.	4.00
Francis, Mrs. T. B.	1.00
Freidus, Mr. Sol.	1.00
Floyd, Mrs. M. J.	1.50
Goode, Mrs. H. M.	1.00
Greaves, Dr. Allen B.	1.00
Gray, Mrs. Susan	2.00
Herzog, Mrs. Louis	3.00
Hoe, Mrs. R. M.	5.00
Henson, Mrs. Chas.	1.00
Hyman, M.r Wm.	1.00
Johnson, Mrs. E. A.	1.00
Lynch, Mrs. E. S.	3.00
Lattimer, Miss Louise	1.00
Lewis, Mr. R. F.	1.00
Lawton, Dr. W. R.	1.00
Laidlaw, Mrs. C. E.	2.00
Mount Calvary Commandery	10.00

Murray, Miss Fanny J.	1.00
Meyers, Mr. L. G.	1.00
Mambourg, Miss J. E.	1.00
Moore, Miss Nettie	2.00
Miller, Mrs. Eloise	.75
Norman, Mrs. Gerald	1.00
Napier, Mrs. M. E.	1.00
Nery, Mrs. M. A.	1.00
Negro Circle for War Relief	5.00
Polhemus, Miss R. A.	3.00
Penfold, Mr. E.	25.00
Richardson, Mr. W. W.	1.00
Reisch, Mrs. R. S.	2.00
Sears, Miss	1.00
Terrell, Mrs. W. O.	1.00
Thorpe, Mrs. Illinois	1.00
Taylor, Mr. Jas.	1.00
Williams, Miss Anne	1.00
Wells, Mrs. A. A.	1.00
Watkins, Mr. Gordon	1.00
Wortham, Mr. and Mrs. Wm.	4.00
Winsmore, Mrs. R. S.	5.00
Walker, Mrs. C. B.	.50
Yancey, Master and Miss	1.00

GROCERIES

Brame, Miss Annie
Blackman, Mrs.
Brown, Miss Ella N. S.
Dias, Mrs. J. W.
Fosett, Miss Martha
Gurley, Mrs. D. R.
Hunter, Mrs.
Hill, Mrs. Fred.
James, Miss Hattie B.
Lee, Mrs. C. H.
Morris, Miss Dorothy
McNichols, Mrs. M. A.
Peterson, Miss J.
Reed, Dr. A. S.
Squire, Mrs. George
Saunders, Mrs. C. C.
Willis, Mr.
Weintraub, Mr. B.

DONATIONS—1918

Needle Work Guild.....Sixty-six Pieces
Mrs. Stephenson.....Twenty Pieces
Mrs. E. E. Greene.....Clothing and Crockery
Mr. Walter Reed.....Toys
National Fruit and Flower Guild..One Box of Flowers
Mr. Chas. Lomax.....Window Flower Box
Mrs. Francis.....One Strip of Bacon
Willing Workers Club through Mrs. Susan Taylor and Mrs. Madison Jones,
Thirty Boxes of Candy, One Package of Clothing
Miss H. M. Sears.....Toys
Mrs. E. E. Greene.....Gift of Nursery Beds
(Not acknowledged in report of 1917.)

CHRISTMAS DONATIONS—1918

Berkeley, Mrs. A. M.....	$1.00
Henschel, Mr. Rudolph.....	5.00
Hudnell, Mrs. D. P.....	1.00
Penfold, Mr. E.....	50.00
	$57.00

REPORT OF THE MORTGAGE RALLY

December and January, 1917 and 1918

The Building Fund Committee of Hope Day Nursery, under whose auspices the Mortgage Rally extending through December and January, 1917-1918, was held, are extremely grateful to the Rally Committee and friends for their splendid co-operation in bringing the rally to a successful close, the returns amounting to $8,286.31.

In addition to the club leaders and volunteer workers whose names and amounts raised are mentioned in the accompanying report we also extend our appreciation to Honorable Charles W. Anderson, treasurer of the Rally Committee, through whose personal efforts and hard work many new friends were brought in contact with the work.

We feel greatly indebted to the following professional talent whose artistic services gratuitously rendered made our concerts and benefits great financial successes: Mr. George M. Cohan, Miss Nora Bayes, Mr. Irving Fisher, Mr. Harry Fox, Master Charlie Revelle, Mr. Clarence Muse, Mr. Andrew Bishop, Miss Cleo Desmond, Prof. and Mrs. Charles Anderson, Mrs. Blanche Deas Harris, Mrs. Maud Jones, Mr. Andrew A. Copeland, Mr. Walter Hunter.

The following speakers presented with excellent results at the various public meetings the needs of the Nursery: Rev. William H. Brooks, Hon. Fred. R. Moore, Rev. Hutchins C. Bishop, Hon. Edw. A. Johnson, Hon. Charles W. Anderson, Mr. Frank Meyers, Mr. E. K. Jones, Mrs. Samuel Sloan, and the late Mr. Allen D. Wood.

We are indebted also to Mr. Norman Sterritt for the loan of camp chairs, Mr. John T. Gollohorn and Mr. George Williams, caterers, for the serving of lunch at the closing reception, Shapiro Press for a donation of 5,000 circulars, to Mother Zion Church for the use of the church for a concert, to Mr. Stovall, to Miss Cohen for the use of the Public Library and the St. James Presbyterian Church for the loan of collection plates, and Mrs. Lelia Robinson and Mr. B. F. Thomas for the use of automobiles for street meetings, and Mr. Baker, the photographer.

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SUMMARY

Total amount collected, $8,286.31.

Amount of the mortgage paid off by the committee, $4,500.

Total amount turned over to the Board of Managers of the Nursery (including the balance in the treasury at the beginning of the rally), $3,994.65.

Gratefully yours,

DAISY C. REED,

Chairman of the Building Fund Committee.

ELIZABETH S. FRANCIS,

Secretary and Treasurer.

A Friend of the Nursery	$4,500.00
Mrs. Cleveland H. Dodge	600.00
Mrs. Wm. Church Osborne	100.00
Mrs. Willard D. Straight	100.00
Mr. Edmund Penfold	75.00
Mrs. Samuel Sloan	50.00
Miss Cuyler	50.00
Mr. A. Douglas Dodge	50.00
Hon. Charles W. Anderson	30.00
Mrs. Arthur M. Dodge	30.00
Miss Annie Williams	25.00
Mrs. E. H. Weatherbee	25.00
Mrs. S. R. Guggenheim	25.00
Mrs. G. H. Danforth	25.00
Mrs. Louis Herzog	25.00
Mr. Rogers	25.00
Mr. Herman Metz	25.00
Mr. Harry Rheinschmidt	25.00
Mrs. G. Helme	20.00
Mr. R. M. Bedell	20.00
Mrs. Phelps	20.00

Mrs. Walter B. James	20.00
Mr. Samuel Sloan	20.00
Mr. John Wanamaker	20.00
Mr. Wm. A. Gardeen	18.00
Mrs. Emily J. Adams	15.00
Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Johnson	15.00
Mrs. J. H. Carson	15.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wortham	12.00
Mrs. Lelia Robinson	12.00
Mrs. S. L. Martin	10.00
Mrs. J. E. Spingarn	10.00
Mr. James E. Garner	10.00
Mrs. M. L. Hunter	10.00
Mr. Harris D. Colt	10.00
Mr. Wilford H. Smith	10.00
Dr. Albert S. Reed	10.00
Miss Polhemus	10.00
Mr. Paul Smith	10.00
Messrs. Waldron & Hass	10.00
Mr. William H. Busteed	10.00
Messrs. Oestricher & Van Brink	10.00
Mr. W. D. Robinson	10.00
Miss Rosa Cottman	10.00
Mr. William Zahniser	10.00
Mrs. A. A. Wells	10.00
Mrs. Vernon Brown	10.00
Mr. Charles A. Coffin	10.00
Mr. Edmund Coffin	10.00
Mr. I. Goldgraben	10.00
Mr. E. H. Terp	10.00
Mr. Allen Pinkerton	10.00
Mr. August Thierry	10.00
Mr. John Tonges	10.00
Mrs. Chamberlain	10.00
Miss H. Brown	10.00
Hon. De Lancy Nicoll	10.00
Mr. A. L. Askew	6.00
Mr. Betrand G. Jamison	5.00
Mr. William Allmond	5.00

Mr. Edward P. Tyler	5.00
Messrs. Righter and Kolb	5.00
Mrs. L. W. Smith	5.00
Mrs. L. Hollingsworth Wood	5.00
Mrs. Susan K. Worcester	5.00
Mrs. Marie MacLean	5.00
Mrs. Mary Irvin	5.00
Mrs. P. B. Wyckoff	5.00
Miss Mary Collins	5.00
Dr. Leo Fitz Nearon	5.00
Dr. Hastings H. Hart	5.00
Mr. A. M. Berkeley	5.00
Mrs. Henry Villard	5.00
Mr. Harry Burleigh	5.00
Misses Grace Giles and Lydia Mason	5.00
Rev. William H. Brooks	5.00
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Mrs. A. P. Lathorpe	5.00
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Dr. D. Ivison Hoage	5.00
Mrs. Mary Jennings	5.00
Mr. Richard F. Lewis	5.00
Capt. Ed. W. Spearman	5.00
Mrs. L. W. Smith	5.00
Dr. E. P. Roberts	5.00
Mrs. Ruth Tucker	5.00
Southern Beneficial League	5.00
Eureka Temple, No. 22	5.00
Mrs. Esther Bright	5.00
Mrs. Francis Dixon	5.00
Utopia Neighborhood Club	5.00
Miss J. H. Ready	5.00
Mr. Leon A. Gray	5.00
Mrs. E. S. Francis	5.00
Miss Cornelia Pedro	5.00
Mr. Sloan	5.00
Mrs. John Chapman	5.00
Mrs. Laura F. Nadall	5.00

Mrs. E. E. Greene	5.00
Mr. T. M. Mordecio	5.00
Mrs. Emma Davis	5.00
Mrs. J. C. Cantey	5.00
Mr. James Campbell	5.00
Miss Muriel Smith	5.00
Mr. Gilchrist Steward	5.00
Mr. Aaron Coleman	5.00
Mrs. W. H. Willis	5.00
Mrs. George G. De Witt	5.00
Mr. H. Carey	5.00
Mr. A. Hudson	5.00
Mr. Tony Laurie	5.00
Mr. W. J. Farrell	5.00
Mr. A. T. Billin	5.00
Mr. John Brosman	5.00
Mr. Joseph Rowan	5.00
Mr. M. W. Raynes	5.00
Mr. T. J. Toomey	5.00
Mr. H. Monquin	5.00
Mr. R. Tonges	5.00
Mr. McLeers	5.00
Mr. H. H. Ohmies	5.00
Mr. Charles Snedeker	5.00
Mr. A. H. Olena	5.00
Mr. Edward Leach	5.00
Mr. L. C. Monquin	5.00
Mr. H. E. Frankenberg	5.00
Mr. Thomas Crowley	5.00
Mr. E. T. Shea	5.00
Mr. Peter Golotti	5.00
Mr. M. J. O'Connor	5.00
Messrs. Doonan and Wren	5.00
Mr. A. J. Doyle	5.00
Mr. John Reilly	5.00
Mrs. Georgia Cole	4.00

Mrs. Charles White	$4.00
Miss Estella A. Jarrott	3.00
Mrs. J. H. Bowen	3.00
Miss Cassie Campbell	3.00
A Friend	3.00
Mrs. Emma Colclaugh	3.25
Mrs. Sandy Watson	3.00
Mrs. Mary Crawford	3.00
Mrs. E. Robinson	3.00
Mr. Thomas Skrines	4.00
Mr. C. Faulkner Murray	3.00
A Friend	2.50
A Friend	2.50
George A. Jeter	2.50
Miss Sarah Bailey	2.00
Mrs. Bettie Ellis	2.00
Mr. J. H. Thomas	2.00
A Friend	2.00
Miss Price	2.00
Mr. C. E. Baker	2.00
Ladies' Southern League	2.00
Mrs. Morrison	2.00
Mrs. Edith Austin	2.00
Mr. Horatio P. Howard	2.00
Mr. H. M. Stevens	2.00
Mr. J. F. Gadsden	2.00
Mr. Martin Davis	2.00
Mr. B. Whitehead	2.00
Mrs. Vanderhoof	2.00
Mr. A. J. Quackenbush	2.00
Mr. S. B. Harris	2.00
Mrs. Martinez Knowles	2.00
Mrs. Madison Scott	2.00
Mr. Paul Prayer	2.00
Dr. J. S. Williams	2.00
Mrs. E. T. Devine	2.00
Messrs. Weflerman & Nathan	2.00
Mrs. M. J. Thomas	2.00

Flossie Limerick	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Clayton	2.00
Mrs. A. Briggs	2.00
Dr. James Banks	2.00
Mr. W. T. Macon	2.00
Mr. H. McNichols	2.00
Miss Seaton	2.00
Mr. G. W. Thomas	2.00
Mr. G. E. Voting	2.00
Mr. Chas. Scott	2.00
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Mrs. P. P. Williams	2.00
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Mrs. L. G. Handy	2.00
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Dear Friend,

(and I write so that advisedly)

I send you congratulations on your 50th birthday, and wish you as many years added to your "2nd Miracle Age" as you have spent in attaining them.

I read your article in the Feb. Crisis under the head "The Shadow of years", and I found myself with tears in my eyes and thinking: "The poor boy!" "I know something of what he has suffered!" "God bless him and enable him to keep on with his good begun work."

I believe that men are—

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created for certain high places in life, and as Abe Lincoln, John Brown, Booker Washington and others have done their "bit" and passed on to their reward, our dear Du Bois has arrived, but not to pass on until he has accomplished his heart's desire.

2/14/1945

And all race loving Negroes feel and know what your heart desires are.

God bless you.

Long lives Dr. W. E. B. DuBois.

B. Hoziers.

(901 Douglas St.)

March 13, 1918.

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Mrs. E. Horner,
901 Douglas Street,
St. Joseph, Missouri.

Dear Madam:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of March 1.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

[HOSMER]

Copy.-

Z. W. Mitchell

229 W. Hanover Street,

General Delivery,
Trenton, N.J. February 16th 1918.

Mr. A. L. Holsey,
Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

Dear Mr. Holsey:

I have just received your letter of the 12th instant regarding Z. W. Mitchell.

Just before Dr. Washington summoned me to meet him in Chicago late in 1912 or early the following year, I ran across this same man Mitchell, who, at that time, was operating in Eastern Iowa with a base at Muscatine, Iowa. Some of our donors at Clinton, and Davenport (in Iowa) bitterly complained to Dr. Washington about Z. W. Mitchell then, I got in after him; and especially with the aid of Mr, Mr. ~~George H. Woodson~~ a Negro lawyer of Buxton, Iowa, chased Mitchell into Missouri,. Later I learned he was living in St. Louis.

2/15/72

A few weeks ago my wife informed me this man was working in Illinois; and I am anxious to get back there to find out what he is doing. I shall report fully early next month about him and his present work.

I may say here: that this man Mitchell has caused Tuskegee to lose many of its donors. I actually saw with my own eyes a letter he claims Dr. Washington gave him out in Ohio many years ago - (in the late nineties) during President McKinley's first term as our President. He is a very intelligent looking individual, and looks something like Mr. B. T. Washington too; and is an exceedingly smooth talker. He is a great liar, a scoundrel, a thief who plays on charity; and actually belongs in the penitentiary!! I suggest that th School take A VERY FIRM STAND against this slick, glib, smooth IMPOSTER A. W. MITCHELL.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) C. B. Hosmer.

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Amherst, Mass, Feb. 8, 1918.

Dr. Wm. E. B. DuBois,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Friend:

I congratulate you on reaching your fiftieth birth-day; that is more from. But I congratulate you more on what you have accomplished both for the colored race as for the white race. I always dislike to use those terms. To me there is

no such distinction. I do not remember that there ever was. I had a most pleasure in introducing him to the expeditions of Caesar, to the speeches of Cicero, & the great poem of Virgil as to any one that was in your case as I found response. "The Shadow of Years" I read aloud to Miss Hosmer & it impressed us both. As she sits here beside me as I write & joins me with him in our congratulations to you & your Wife.

As you know, I went to Hamilton as president of Colby College. The

faculty was complete & there were no vacancies. I made up my mind I should send for you — not because you were of the colored race for the students of the college are mostly white, — American, English, Spanish, Germans, Russian, Italian — & my Hawaiians. I found no race prejudice, except toward the Chinese coolies. It took years to eliminate that. At last I got my Chinese boys into the college & they won their way by sheer merit.

I have always wished to tell you I was proud of you when you gave a strong address on Wendell Phillips, when

from the president of Atlanta at the
Lake Methodist Conference time succeeded
you both there at Mt. College, &
when I presided at College Hall in
Amherst where you lectured. Let most
of all of what you have taught the
people of my county.

Principle Herron took a faint vision
of what we in you.

Sincerely,

Frank A. Hosmer.

Please ask you Mr. Dill to send
me The Crisis. If the price is higher,
he will inform me.

Russell

February 16, 1918.

Mr. Frank A. Hosmer,
Amherst, Massachusetts.

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My dear Mr. Hosmer:

I appreciate your kind greeting of February 8.

I am sure that I owe to you, more than to any single person, the fact that I got started toward the higher training in my youth.

Give my best regards to Mrs. Hosmer. I trust I may see you sometime in the near future.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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My dear Dr. DuBois:-

I hope you will pardon the impropriety of this letter and my intruding upon your valuable time, but I take the liberty to do so, to express my sentiments concerning the contents.

I attended the meeting of the Washington branch of the N. A. A. C. P. last night and was very much astounded at the conduct and expressions of the members and your supposed friends. As you may have been already informed, the topic of discussion, was your editorial in the July number of the Crisis and your intentions towards accepting a position in the War Department.

I will say that I have never been in a public meeting before, where intelligent people displayed their ignorance in expressions, as did the Washingtonians last night. One, could not conceive that such would come from a gathering of educated people.

I believe that I express the sentiment of the few friends you still have and who believe in you, that you should accept this position, offered you and prove to those, who have lost confidence in you, your ability and interest in the race, whom you have so nobly defended and fought for, in all these years.

I realize that my word does not mean much as I am too small to be of any aid to you, but I simply was forced to express my utmost confidence in you and hope to remain

Yours sincerely,

M. L. Howington.

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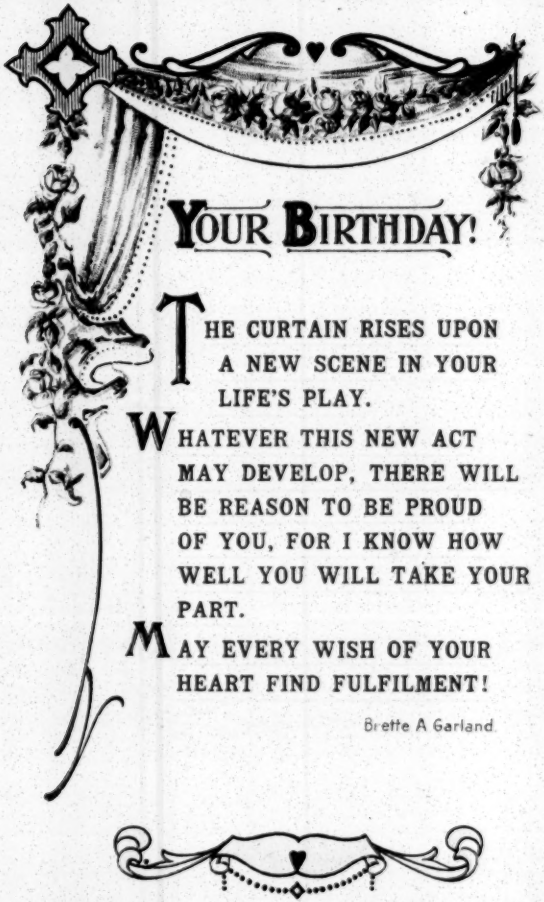

YOUR BIRTHDAY!

THE CURTAIN RISES UPON A NEW SCENE IN YOUR LIFE'S PLAY.

WHATEVER THIS NEW ACT MAY DEVELOP, THERE WILL BE REASON TO BE PROUD OF YOU, FOR I KNOW HOW WELL YOU WILL TAKE YOUR PART.

MAY EVERY WISH OF YOUR HEART FIND FULFILMENT!

Brette A Garland

March 5, 1918.

Rev. William M. Howard,
P. O. Box 394,
Portland, Oregon.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your greeting on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
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February 26, 1918.

Dr. W. E. Dubois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

My dear Doctor Dubois:

This is merely to send you a belated greeting which I wanted to deliver last evening, but I was in Washington and could not do so. Mrs. Howe told me how delightful the occasion was, the appreciation of your many friends, and the generous recognition of the service you have rendered not only to your own race but to democracy. And I want to add my congratulations and best wishes to those of your many friends who were present.

Very sincerely yours,

Marie C. Howe

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March 6, 1918.

Mr. F. C. Howe,
U. S. Department of Labor,
Ellis Island, New York.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate your kind words of February 26.

Very sincerely yours,

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Birthday.

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

Just a line to say that in company with thousands of others I thank God that you are free to let the world know that everything isn't all right- for it isn't- ~~all right~~ and to wish for you many more years of useful service.

Sincerely yours,

H. A. Hunt,

Principal.

2/24/45

March 6, 1918.

Mr. H. A. Hunt,
Fort Valley High & I. School,
Fort Valley, Georgia.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate your kind letter of February 21.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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October 1, 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

In God's name can't something be done in the way of stopping or "nailing" the mass of lies and rot concerning Negroes upon which the public is being fed regularly and with studied cunning? The enclosed clipping is a sample of the kind of stuff to which I refer. The mixing of a certain amount of truth in my mind makes these articles all the more dangerous.

With very kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

H. A. Hunt.

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Dear Dr. Du Bois, —

It is a source of great pleasure to me that I had the privilege of sitting in "the shadow" of one of your fifty years. It was, to me, more of sunshine than shadow. When I seem to feel now even, the strain that I felt then in learning those long lessons well enough to please you, it is hard to realize that it was twenty years ago.

I wish and pray for you many more years of good work.

Yours truly,

Sarah L. Hunt.

2/24/64

March 4, 1918.

Miss
~~Mrs.~~ Sarah L. Hunt,
c/o Fort Valley High & Industrial Sch.,
Fort Valley, Georgia.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your kind words. I remember that your presence in my class helped me quite as much as it helped you.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CKB.

2222 Sherman Ave.
Washington, D.C.
July 12, 1918.

My dear Dr. DuBois,

In this crisis in our National Association, when you are called upon to make an important decision, I wish to assure you that, whichever way you decide, - have implicit confidence in your integrity & the wisdom & the justness of whatever you have done - & your judgment.

[illegible] judgment even on that, until I know why you said it and why you [illegible] it should be taken too literally.

Tho The Crisis can ill afford to lose you, I bid you "God speed if you choose something else for the time being, believing that your heart is true to the cause.

Observation and experience have taught me that from within than from without, and you may see where you can do more within our military organization than without it.

With all good wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

Isabella Hunt.

July 17, 1918.

Mrs. Ida Gibbs Hunt,
2822 Sherman Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

2/15/22

My dear Mrs. Hunt,

Thank you for your letter of July 12 to Dr. DuBois. He is now away from the office on his vacation, but I am sending him a copy of the letter.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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August 10, 1918.

Mrs. Ida Gibbs Hunt,
2822 Sherman Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Hunt:

I thank you very much for your letter of July 12 and for its timely expressions.

Very sincerely yours,

WRBD/GRB.

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March 5, 1918.

Mr. Paul Hunter,
68 William Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Hunter:

It was very kind of you to send me your cordial greetings. I suppose they persist in lynching in America because some people would not be happy out of Hell.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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St-Etienne (Loire) France
Nov. 23, 1918.

My dear Dr DuBois,

Several things have occurred to my mind since seeing you about which I wante to write you. I was rather tired and worried when I saw you in New York and did not speak of several things I meant to. However, the sudden turn of events has set us other and more important phases of the

question which you and I have so much at heart. I have reflected on what you said about getting first hand information, etc., and feel that it is very important. Let me know if I can be of any service. I should like so much to assist. I'm sure that I could be of great assistance to you.

It seems to me especially important to act quickly in view of the rapid changes now taking place. I hope that you can come over soon.

Like you the world side of this question interests and appeals to me, and I think that you could do something by speaking a word for the darker races. The colonial side, which as you've said, had so much to do with causing this war, ought to be settled in the interest of the universe as well as of Europe or it will cause future trouble.

I want to ask you, also, if you would not like to have me translate one of your books into French. I'm sure I could do it with the assistance I could get here.

Please let me hear from you at once.

As a piece of news for you, the following fact is striking and peculiar:—

Capt. V. C. Marshall was wounded, this not severely, during the month of October and was moved early in November to one of the two American hospitals at Bordeaux. On the 10th of Nov. I visited the wards of the two hospitals totally ignorant however, that my Brother-in-law was in Bordeaux or that he was wounded, & it was not until after I arrived here. Is not that one of the strange coincidences of life? "Ships that pass in the night"

Hoping to hear from you soon

I am, Very sincerely yours,

Ida Tillett Hunt.

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Jan. 26, 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
70 Fifth Avenue
New York City.

My Dear Dr. DuBois:

I had planned to try to see you last week and know more of the present status of the Music School Settlement and the personnel of the incoming Board but it has not been possible.

I would like to help simply because you ask but it does not seem wise for me to tie up to other responsibilities just now. I am not very well nor settled in my future work and am already pledged to many organizations.

Still I shall be glad to help and will certainly raise some money for the Settlement each year.

May I thank you for the "Shadow of Years." The know and love you better for it.

With great respect

Jean W. Hunton

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My Dear Dr. DuBois:

With the
hope that we may have
your wise leadership
for many years to come,
I am,
Your humble follower
in thought and spirit,
Addie A. Hunton,
(Mrs. A. A.)

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March 9, 1918.

Mrs. W. A. Hunton,
575 Greene Avenue,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Mrs. Hunton:

I appreciate your kind words and good wishes on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

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Urbana, Illinois,
November 19, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, New York.

Dear Dr. Du Bois,

I have your circular letter of November 15 but I am sorry to say that I can not at this moment think of any one whom I can recommend who is qualified to serve as assistant in the compilation of the history of the American Negro in the Great War.

I am glad to know that you are undertaking this piece of work and wish you success.

Sincerely yours,

Evorts B Greene

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I think the last time I had the pleasure of seeing you was at our class reunion, two years past.
E. B. G.

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Dr. W. E. Burghardt Du Bois
70 Fifth Avenue, New York

My dear Dr. Du Bois

I like this article on "Africa and the Peace Makers" but I think it is much too long.

If you could cut it down to about half or two thirds of the space that you now use I think we can use it.

Will you do this or will you give us permission?

Very truly yours Holt

Hamilton Holt

Editor

Editors folder

copy memo - add - Under the circumstances, I am giving you permission to cut the Durois article on "Africa & the Peace Makers".

Editors

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December 3, 1918

Mr. Hamilton Halt, Editor,
THE INDEPENDENT,
HARPER'S WEEKLY,
119 W. Fortieth Street,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Halt:

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois sailed for France, December 1, on a special ship, "The Arizaba," along with a distinguished number of newspaper men.

Dr. Du Bois will represent The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and THE CRISIS at the Peace Conference. He will also summon a Pan-African Conference to meet at Paris, and press the question of the African colonies.

Under the circumstances, I am giving you permission to cut Dr. Du Bois' article on "Africa and the Peace Makers."

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Very sincerely yours,

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348, W. 118th St.
New York
Jan 22nd

Dear doctor Du Bois:-

It was in 1914 that I had the privelege of personally meeting you in New York. The last four years that I have been in the United States kept me busy on the Pacific Coast & the Middle-West.

I have now come to New York and expect to stay and work here in connection with this League. We received to-day your "Crisis" and I have just finished reading your very interesting article on the "Shadow of years." While here I want to avail myself of your company and consequently renew my friendship. I understand that you know Dr. L. Rai - our president & my personal friend.

Please write to me at your earliest convenience and find out some time when I can call on you & converse on some important matters.

Yours sincerely,
K. D. Shastri

India

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February 7, 1918.

348 W. 118 Street,

Mr. A. D. Shastri,
c/o India Home Rule League of Am.,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Shastri:

I should be very glad to see you at any time. I am usually in the office from eleven until five o'clock. You might 'phone before calling.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY
BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

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November 23, 1918.

My dear Professor DuBois:

In answer to your inquiry of November 15th I send you the names and addresses of the following colored men who have graduated in our Department of History:

Dr. Abraham J. King, Class of 1896, 866 West 26th St., Indianapolis, Indiana.
Willis O. Tyler, Class of 1802, 224 South Spring St., LosAngeles, California. Lawyer.
Johnson, George A. Class of 1915, Vincennes, Indiana, Principal of Colored schools
Johnson, Thomas C., Class of 1917, Principal of the Colored Schools, Bloomington, Indiana.

I can recommend these men as capable of rendering you assistance, and I have no doubt they would all be interested in your undertaking, which, it seems to me, is a very interesting and important one. Our countrymen of your race for their services in this war deserve well of their country.

I have always felt an interest in the advancement of colored people and I should be pleased, if I am eligible, to become a member of your Association.

With personal regards and best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

James Albert Woodburn

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February 27, 1918

Dr. N. E. B. Du Bois
70 Fifth Avenue
New York City

2/15/20

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Your name has been given as a reference by Miss Lindsey Cooper who has registered with this Bureau for a position as editor.

I understand that you have had an opportunity to observe her work. May I ask you, therefore, to fill out the enclosed blank? If you wish to give any special information not covered by the blank I should be glad to have a supplementary statement in letter form.

Thanking you for your co-operation, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Emilie J. Hutchinson
Manager.

March 6, 1918.

Miss Emilie J. Hutchinson,
19 West 44 Street,
New York City.

Dear Madam:

Miss Lindsey Cooper has done some work in special reporting for this magazine and we have always found her work very satisfactory.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Brooklyn N.Y.
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COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK CHAPTER

NEW YORK, N. Y.,

My dear Dr. Du Bois,

May I thank you for your splendid lecture? It is the consensus of opinion among those who have attended our lectures regularly that your lecture was "the finest they had heard." I am certain that the members of the student body and faculty will be more cautious in boasting of a democracy which is stained by the blood of our negro population. You have placed the problem so close to all that it is to be hoped it will not be avoided in the immediate future.

I am enclosing the write-up which the lecture received in our college paper, "The Campus."

With best wishes, I am

William W Weinstein Secy
Social Problems Club

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February 26, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York city.

50 Yrs

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I deeply regret that it was impossible for me to be present at the Birthday Anniversary held last evening at the Civic Club. I would be indeed delighted to have taken part in this gathering held in the honor of one who has done so much in the democratic movement in America. It chances that I am running as Congressional candidate in Brooklyn, and had to speak at one of the campaign meetings.

May I also express our regrets that you feel that you cannot serve next year on the Executive Committee of the Intercollegiate Socialist society. We all appreciated very much your presence with us this last year, and hope that some future time, you may find it again possible to serve as one of our members. The C. C. N. Y. boys told of the splendid talk you gave them at the college.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,
Harry W. Laidler
Secretary.

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March 1, 1918.

Mr. Harry W. Laidler,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Laidler:

I appreciate your kind words concerning my birthday celebration.

Very sincerely yours,

WERB/GRB.

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To the Editor of the INTERNATIONALIST:

Carbons

The outlook for a United States of the World depends much on how far such a state is going to be Democratic; that is how far the peoples of the earth of all races and colors are to have representation and voice. At present most advocates of a world state are thinking only of white nations or possibly they are willing to admit a colored nation like Japan or even China, because they fear their power, but there has been almost no suggestion that the thousands of millions of India, of Africa, and the islands of the sea have any voice or vote.

If an attempt should be made to make simply a white world state this state would economically and politically prey upon the black world. The result would be the same jealousy and ownership and exploitation that have done so much to make the present war. Eventually, such jealousy would disrupt the state. On the other hand if all nations and races were admitted and if strenuous effort was made to prevent exploitation with the state of the weak and backward we could easily look forward to a federation of the world.

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March 14, 1918.

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70 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

W. E. BURGHARDT DU BOIS

Nov. 16, 1918

To The Head Of The Department Of History
The State University Of Iowa
Iowa City, Iowa

Sir:

This Association is proposing to compile a history of the American Negro in the great war.

I should like to get the cooperation of trained colored persons who have been in your department of history.

2/22/23-

Can you give me the names and addresses of any colored men or women who have received training in your department, and whom you could recommend as suitable helpers for us in our work?

I shall be under great obligations.

Very sincerely yours,

W. E. B. Du Bois

Ruth Southall - Slater Normal School
WEBDB/CF Winston-Salem, N.C.,
Home address - Buxton, Ia.
Eliz. Gross, University Senior -
Iowa City, Iowa
Home address, Keokuk Ia. (corr)

Both these women are strong History students & exceptionally bright. They should be able to do for you what you want.

Miss Southall read her B.A. in 1915 or 16.

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Dr Dubois called, etc.
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DEC 11 1918

Mr. W.E.B. DuBois
"The Crisis", N.Y. City.

Gentlemen:

I do not know anything of your plans but I have wondered whether you couldn't get your material for Iowa by getting a man like Joe Brown of Des Moines a lawyer & B.A. M.A. & LL.B. of this University to direct the work for the state & get some of our people like Miss Southall & Miss Frost of whom I would you and Miss Ida J McClain who is now working for her M.A. degree in Education to do the work under Mr Brown's direction. Camp Dodge has much to give on the

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subject & would furnish a very interesting chapter of a volume.

Pardon this suggestion but it occurred to me after writing you that I should make this suggestion. Mr Brown graduated ~~about~~ 1898, is a prominent lawyer in Des Moines 507 Mulberry Ave & is one of the most influential men of this race in Iowa I think, very public spirited & a real leader.

Very sincerely

W. J. Clem

Iowa City Ia

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December 12, 1918

Mr. H. G. Plum,
College of Liberial Arts,
Department of History,
The State University of Iowa,
Iowa City.

Dear Sir:

Dr. Du Bois sailed for France, December 1, on a special ship, "The Orizaba," along with a number of distinguished newspaper men.

Dr. Du Bois will represent The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and THE CRISIS at the Peace Conference. He will also summon a Pan-African Conference to meet at Paris, and press the question of the African colonies.

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In Dr. Du Bois's absence, I beg to thank you for your interest and cooperation in the History of the American Negro in the Great War.

Very sincerely yours,

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We wish You another fifty years
of happiness and a thousand
years of service.

Alice and James E Jackson Jr.

825 W Leigh St

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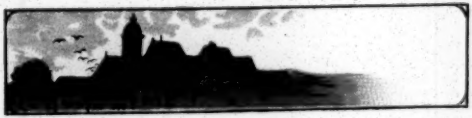
Richmond



A Birthday Wish

I hope your birthday always
brings to you
Such care-free pleasures
as your childhood knew.

Friends 97

February 2, 1918.

Miss Alice and James E. Jackson, Jr.,
825 West Leigh Street,
Richmond, Virginia.

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Dear Miss Alice and James Jackson:

I thank you very much for your birthday wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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December 27th, 1918

W.E. Du Bois, Esq.,
Hotel du Cloître St-Honoré,
3 rue de Montesquieu,
Paris.

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My Dear Doctor,

I have just received your letter of the 25th. and had no idea that you were here Christmas'day or would have looked you up.

I have seen Senateur Diagne and had a very pleasant interview with him; he would like to have us call at his office 19 rue de Bourgogne to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

If you kindly call me up I will arrange an appointment to meet you in view of the visit, otherwise I will be at my office at half past nine.

Very sincerely yours,

George H. Jackson

GHJ/MV. -

Hampton Sch. Va.
Feb. 28th 1918.

Mr. T. Dr. Bois.

Dear Friend. Sure
this is day 28th is your
Birthday. And I am wish-
ing you many happy re-
turns of the day.

Your Friend

Chapman Quekun

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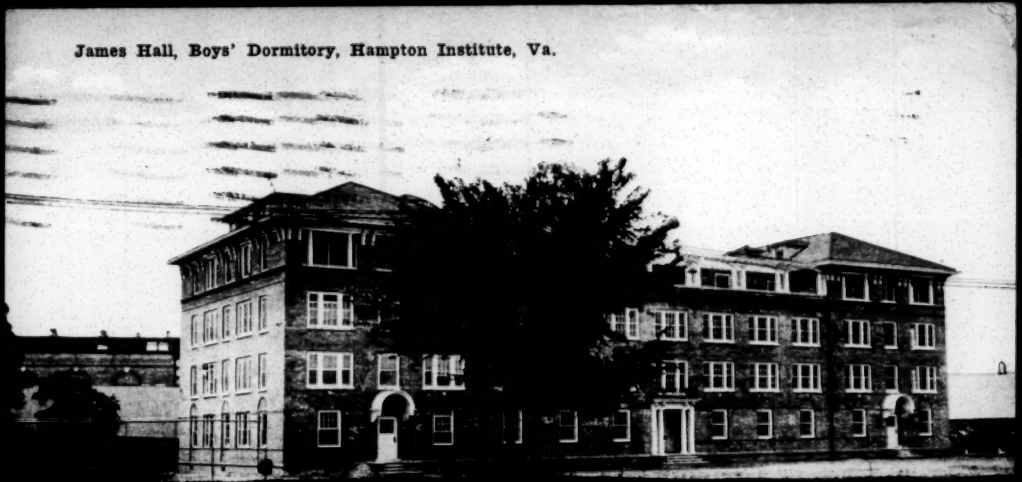
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#167 West 136th St
New York City.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois —
70 Fifth Ave —
New York City.

2/14/31

Dear Old Friend! —

Pressure of very important matters caused me to rush around last Saturday, without even having time to make an important mark that I had made on my calender.

The mark was to recall to mind that the 23rd was the fiftieth anniversary of a most important event in the history of Colored people.

Please permit me and my family, at this late date, to join the host of friends who sent remembrances of the occasion, to congratulate you on your birthday.

May you see as many more, with ever increasing happiness, as you may wish.

May your splendid work extend and expand, until your name, having become a household word among our people, live ever in the hearts of their children, alongside names of other illustrious men who

has sacrificed so
much for the uplift
of the Negro.

My family join me
in best wishes for
your future health
and happiness.

Sincerely

William Hubert Jackson

167 Wash 136 15th St

City

Feb. 25/18

March 2, 1918.

Mr. William H. Jackson,
167 West 136 Street,
New York City.

My dear Jackson:

Thank you very much and family for your kind words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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File Cooperation

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Refer to Dr. Du Bois
need not return

Sapulpa, Okla. Sept. 13, 1918.

Hon. Walter F. White,

New York,

SEP 18 1918

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My Dear Mr. White,

I am informed through the Crisis of a conference that will was held August 26th. and 27th. 1918, the purpose being to establish cooperated enterprises among Colored People.

Will you kindly advise me as to the results of that meeting, that is whether they perfected an organization.

Such an organization is much needed among our people.

Am very much interested in this matter for nothing could help us more than co-operation especially is that true from a commercial stand point.

Would be glad to ally myself with such a movement and would take great pride in giving my support financially or otherwise.

Awaiting your reply,

I am respectfully yours,

S. L. James.

2/15/20

September 23, 1918.

Mr. S. L. James,
Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

My dear Sir:

The conference to which you refer in your letter of September 13 formed the Negro Co-operative Guild The object of this Guild is first to study co-operation.

I am sending you herewith some literature with prices. Could you not arrange to have a dozen or more people get together and study this form of co-operation? We would furnish them books and pamphlets at cost. They could interest other people to study the matter and after a year of study we will be glad to take steps to start co-operative stores.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

No. 421 Church St. FEB 25 1918
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Reading, Pa.
Feb. 22nd, 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Editor Crisis Magazine
New York City.

My dear sir; I shall in this preface remark, that we are today living in a great age; an era of Progressiveness, of great Inventions, of the uplift of Humanity, of the witnessing of the greatest war in the history of the world. We are witnessing the spectacle of a "would be world" Ruler, viz: Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany, who would assume to be the Autocrat of the Universe. We read of the great havoc the Germans have caused in bantam Belgium,

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of the desporilation of the sacred Cathedrals of many centuries of age, etc, of the practical destruction of great works of Arts by the World's great Artists of the long ago. In our own great country, we today, honored the memory of "The Father of our country", Ges. Washington, the Liberator of the Colonists from the thralldom of King George of England. This, from a patriotic standpoint is, as it should be. We also note that the Good old U. S. A. is now "Over There", as it were, battling for the Democracy of the world, that in the

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future, mankind shall be drawn
closer in relation, and that
the future may bring everlasting
"Peace", and the betterment of
Humanity. And let us hope
dear Dr. DuBois, that the
termination of the great
sanguinary conflict may bring
about the complete Emancipa-
of the Negro, for as yet, even
now, we do not enjoy "Sweet Liberty",
as the Great Commoner,
Abraham Lincoln intended us
to enjoy, and that the Ethiop-
ian, can say with a joyful
acclaim, "I am no longer a Negro,
but I am a man"; in all that
the word implies.

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The past fifty years, have seen many changes for the uplift of mankind, of which I know you have taken cognizance, and this last phrase prompts me, as a reader of the Crisis to now offer you my most hearty congratulations upon the rounding out of Life's fiftieth milestone. And permit me to further say that you may have many more years of fruitfulness, etc. for the race.

Again congratulating you, I close,

I am Very Truly Yours,
Chas. A. Darnazin.

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March 6, 1918.

Mr. Charles A. Jarnagin,
421 Church Street,
Reading, Pennsylvania.

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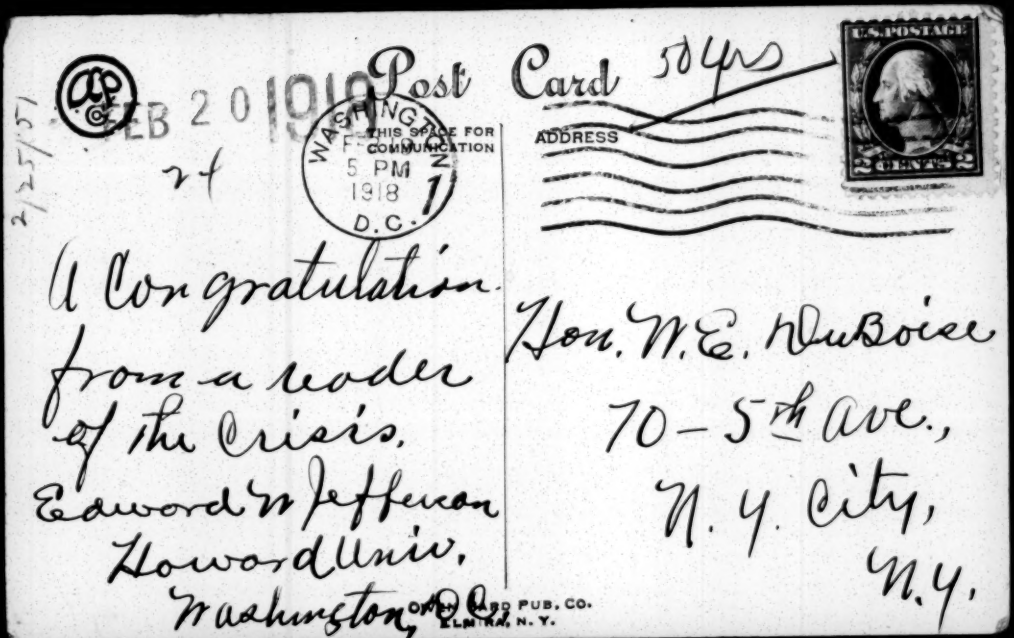
My dear Sir:

I thank you for your good wishes in your letter of February 22.

Very sincerely yours,

WRBD/GRB.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A Congratulation
from a reader
of the Crisis.
Edward M Jefferson
Howard Univ.
Washington D.C.
Hon. W. E. DuBois
70 – 5th Ave.,
N. Y. City,
N.Y.
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ELMIRA, N. Y.

Anniversary
Greetings
It is with
pleasure
That I say,
All
happiness
be yours
This
day.
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February 25, 1918.

Mr. Edward W. Jefferson,
Howard University,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your congratulations.

Very sincerely yours,

WEED/ORB.

SUMNER HIGH SCHOOL

J. RUPERT JEFFERSON, PRINCIPAL

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PARKERSBURG, W. VA. 2/21/18.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
New York City.

Back to Du B

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Dear Mr. Du Bois:

You have wrought mightily for the cause of liberty, equality and justice. As you approach the fiftieth milestone on life's journey, it is the ardent wish of a sincere admirer and friend, that you may enjoy many happy returns of the day, and that you may be given wisdom and strength to continue the work you have so nobly begun, and thus far, so successfully pursued.

I am also inclosing one dollar for which I desire you to send

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SUMNER HIGH SCHOOL

J. RUPERT JEFFERSON, PRINCIPAL

PARKERSBURG, W. VA. _____

a copy of "The Crisis" each
month for a year to
Prin. D. C. Tabler, McKinley
School, Parkersburg, W. Va.
With kindest regards and
best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

J. Rupert Jefferson

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March 13, 1918.

Mr. J. Rupert Jefferson,
Sumner High School,
Parkersburg, West Virginia.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your encouraging words in your letter on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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1536-35th Ave.
Oakland Cal.
Feb. 18, 1918.

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois
70 Fifth Ave
New York N.Y.

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Dear Sir.

To every reader of the Crisis you have given an invaluable gift - the narrative of your life - a sketch that gives us a clearer insight of the spirit that inspires you. In return I am sending you my quota - a subscriber to the Crisis - & what I hope will prove to be in the aggregate a joy giving birthday gift.

You have perhaps reached the zenith of your years but not of your activities & accomplishments.

There is a broad field to be made fruitful and productive and real workers are needed.

When fleeting time has crowned you with old age may beautiful memories of a noble and well spent life abide with you.

Yours Sincerely

J. Thos. D. Jefferson.

March 9, 1918.

Mr. John B. Jefferson,
1536 Thirty-fifth Avenue,
Oakland, California.

2/14/362

My dear Sir:

Thank you for your encouraging words in your letter of February 18.

Very sincerely yours,

WFBD/GRB.

Cooperation

April 15, 1918.

Mr. John Brown Jefferson,
1536 Thirty-fifth Avenue,
Oakland, California.

My dear Mr. Jefferson:

In looking over again your letter of January 28, I find that it follows very closely my own thought. The Rochdale Plan was to divide all profit. The Belgian and Congo Plan was to let the profit go for social uplift. I have a feeling that probably we can do something between these two plans; as for instance to divide half of the profit and let half go for uplift. We could work through the churches and fraternal orders, but only after we have made a successful beginning. Some jealous and suspicious person would probably, although not certainly, prevent us bringing in the churches at the beginning.

2/16/76

Numbers of people are writing me from various parts of the country. I want to begin the work as a great movement and not piecemeal. Would it be possible for you to attend a conference on cooperation this summer?

Very sincerely yours,

WEED/GRB.

April 16, 1918.

Mr. John Brown Jefferson,
1536 Thirty-fifth Avenue,
Oakland, California.

My dear Mr. Jefferson:

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2/16/88

Would it be possible for you to attend a conference on cooperation this summer?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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1536--35th Ave.,
Oakland, Cal.,
April 29, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

It would give me unbounded pleasure to attend a conference on co-operation this summer, but there are several reasons that intervene.

The one of greatest interest to yourself and to others who would comprise such a body is that I would prefer having this section represented by Mr. Ceruti of Los Angeles, who from all angles is best fitted for the mission. I have written Mr. Ceruti in this connection and hope he will be able to comply. In any event I will let you know his answer. I am hopeful that your desire to begin the work as a great mevement will fructify.

It is to be regretted that so few seem sensible of the wonderful opportunity that is within their grasp.

Wishing you every success, I am

Yours sincerely

J. B. Jefferson

1536--35th Ave.
Oakland, Cal.
Dec. 3, 1918.

Dr. W. E. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly send me information concerning the methods of operation followed by "The Negro Co-operative Guild"?

Yours sincerely,

John B. Jefferson

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Send it on Cooperation

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St. Augustine's
Raleigh, N.C.
Feb. 15, 1918.

Back to Dr DuB

Dr W.E.B.DuBois
New York City

My dear Dr DuBois:

Not as a former student only but as a firm believer in all that the Crisis stands for, does it give me much pleasure in extending you congratulations on the advent of your Birthday.

Appended to this letter are evidences of appreciation of your work by members of this school and the race. We are just a little leaven trying to contribute something to the cause of right. Let us thank you for your help in this direction by that splendid review of Dr Jesse Jones' report. It was indeed timely, and especially so since this report is rapidly becoming the criterion of education in a number of Negro schools of the South

With sincere wishes that many years of life are yet in store for you, and with assurances that more and more is the Negro realizing the true worth of the work of the Crisis, believe me to be

Very truly yours,
Robert B Jefferson

P.S. Kindest regards to Mr Dill.

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February 27, 1918.

Mr. Robert E. Jefferson,
St. Augustine's,
Raleigh, North Carolina.

My dear Mr. Jefferson:

I appreciate very deeply your kind letter of February 15.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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BUREAU OF HISTORY
OF
THE A. M. E. CHURCH

Rev. J. T Jenifer, D. D., Sec.
3430 Vernon Ave.
CHICAGO, ILL.

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CHICAGO, ILL., February 9th, 1918.

Dr. W.E.B.DuBoise,
Editor of The Crisis.
70 Fifth Ave, New York.

Dear Doctor.

This comes with my congratulations for you upon reaching the Fiftieth year in your eventful, Courageous and useful life.
God has preserved you and brought you to your present ocupation for just such times as these in the trrrific struggles of the Negro for equal citizenship and manhood rights.

I have read with more than ordinary interist the sketch of your life "Shado of Years"; also your masterly criticism of Mr Jones, Thesis upon Negro education. I heartily concur with your judgements. Standup for the right; Be strong, and courageous.

Having been born in enslavement in Maryland, March 10th, 1835, IN my 83rd year now; I know some of the things common in The "Shado of Years".

Praying that many more useful years may be yours,
with my highest regards I am yours in labors,

J. T. Jenifer.

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February 15, 1918.

Rev. J. T. Jenifer,
3430 Vernon Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir:

I deeply appreciate your kind words and congratulate you on entering your eighty-third year.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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14 East 56 St

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The Crisis.

To whom it may concern.

Mr A G Dill Business Manager.

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Dear Sir.

Enclosed herewith please find $2.00 in payment for renewal subscription of The Crisis. And one dollar for Membership fee of the N.A.A.C.P. also permit me to say. That I enjoy reading the Crisis very much and I think it a splendid Magazine and is doing good work. you may feel assured that my renewal request will be forthcoming: when due. No solicitation, as data is always in mind and the order with money Kindly acknowledge receipt of money and if the 100 for the N.A.A.C.P. is understood.

With congratulations and best wishes to the Editor Mr Dubois on his 50th anniversary. May he live through another half Century. And his theme never die

Yours Truly.

E. W. Jenkins

50 yrs

February 14, 1918.

Mr. J. W. Jenkins,
14 East 56 Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind words and congratulations.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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March 6, 1918.

Mrs. Ada Johnson,
2329 East 97 Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Madam:

I thank you and the Du Bois club for its greetings.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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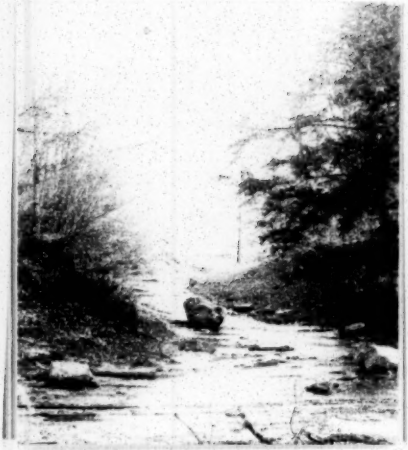
This side for Correspondence.

A Member of the Debos Club sends for greetings from

This side for Address.

Miss Ada Johnson
2329 E 91 st
Cleveland
Ohio



Birthday Greetings

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Dr. DuB

Raleigh Tenn
Feb 20, 1918.

To the Editor, of the Crisis
Dr. Dubois

Kind Sir, I Would not refuse from writing you a few lines of Birthday greetings, also glad to read of such a one as you, sounding the voice of the Negro, through the Crisis, I must say we need some more Dubois; that will stand for the right; speak the right and do the right for the Negro; may you live longe, and Continue.

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to do; and accomplish
great work for the negro.
and when you must
be Call to your great
reword; I pray God^
that there will be a mother
one like Dubois, to
grasp hold where you
leave off and carry it on
to succeed; from yours
in Christ

Annie Z. Johnson,

RFD 2 Box 363
Raleigh Tenn.

March 7, 1918.

Mrs. Annie L. Johnson,
R. F. D. 2, Box 363,
Raleigh, Tennessee.

Dear Madam:

I appreciate your kind words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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From the Grand East of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge,

Free and Accepted Masons

C. C. Johnson,	Grand Master	B. H. Eaton,	Asst. Grand Marshal
J. I. Washington,	Deputy Grand Master	R. H. Richardson,	Grand Recorder
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G. C. Williams,	Junior Grand Warden	I. J. McCottrie,	Senior Grand Deacon
I. D. Davis,	Grand Treasurer	J. H. Culp,	Junior Grand Deacon
E. J. Sawyer,	Grand Secretary	H. H. Green,	Senior Grand Steward
W. H. Thomas,	Asst. Grand Secretary	Willie Lee,	Junior Grand Steward
J. J. Durham,	Grand Chaplain	J. S. Simmons,	Grand Sword Bearer
H. M. Moore,	Asst. Grand Chaplain	C. A. Lawson,	Grand Historiographer
B. F. McDowell,	Grand Lecturer	E. L. Thomas,	Grand Organist
R. C. Davis,	Asst. Grand Lecturer	N. S. Shelton,	Grand Master of Ceremonies
C. H. Dannerly,	Grand Marshal	John E. Eve,	Grand Librarian

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C. P. T. White,	Grand Orator
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The Next Regular Annual Communication, its Semi-Centennial, Will be Held at Charleston, S.C., Darlington, S.C. Beginning at Ten O'clock, A. M., Tuesday, December 11th, 1917. 10 1918

Aiken, S. C. February 19th 1918

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois,
New York, N. Y.,

My Dear Sir and Friend:-

I am sending you this word of greetings and good wishes and congratluations upon the occasion of the 50th anniversary of your birthday. It is true that next Saturday is the exact date, but I want to send mine on in ample time.

I am giving my full endorsement to the very happy suggestion made by one of your many friends that we seek to celebrate the occasion by a large increase in the number of subscribers to The Crisis, and I am earnestly trying to do my "bit" along this line.

May your most useful life be long, very long, continued that you may serve - as you are now doing so mightily - the cause dear to the heart of every true man who believes that GOD IS OUR FATHER, and that the "OUR" as there spoken did not mean just a particular and certain race.

May Heaven smile day by day upon you, and may you be encouraged in seeing from time to time splendid fruitage resulting from your labors in the great and grand old cause of HUMAN RIGHTS, and especially that of the EQUALITY OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

Yours Truly,

C C Johnson

14th Amendment
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January 17, 1918.

Mr. Edward A. Johnson,
154 Nassau Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Johnson:

I spoke to you sometime ago concerning the possibility of the state giving aid to a pageant. This morning I received the enclosed letter and bill in the mails. Who is Mr. Amos? I do not think that the proposal is of any particular importance, but possibly Amos might be used for some purposes.

With regard to the pageant: As I said to you, 1918 is the fiftieth anniversary of the Fourteenth Amendment. This was in the opinion of many the greatest of war amendments. It made Negroes citizens and freedom without citizenship did not mean much. The event ought to be suitably celebrated. At the same time something ought to be done to show the interest of American people in the willingness and excellent behavior of Negro troops. Could not the two things be combined by instituting the celebration in the early spring? If we could have a small appropriation, say ten thousand dollars ($10,000), the thing could be carried through and a dignified and impressive occasion made.

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Much, of course, would depend on getting the right sort of people at the head of such a movement. I simply suggest it to you and if you think well of it I shall be glad to go more into detail.

Very sincerely yours,

WERD/GRB.

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TELEPHONE 4998 BEEKMAN

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E. A. JOHNSON
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW
PRACTICES IN ALL THE COURTS
OFFICE: 154 NASSAU STREET

NEW YORK, N. Y. Jan. 18? 1918. 191

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois,
70 Fifth Ave., City.

Dear Dr. Dubois:

Replying to yours received to-day in reference to the bill of Mr. Amos, proposing to make September 22nd of each year a legal holiday in this state, will say that Mr. Amos has spoken to me several times in reference to this measure. I see no particular objection that can be raised other than that it might add another to what some think is a very long list of hollidays we already have in this state. Mr. Amos however, seems very much interested in calling the attention of the people of both races to the emancipation of the Negroes in this country, and believes in that way he will create a better feeling, etc. I have it in mind to vote for the measur if it should be reported favorably out of the committee. Mr Amos could no doubt be of service in the matter of the pageant should that proposition come up, and I am quite sure he would help out in the matter.

Send me the details of the pageant proposition and I will see what can be done. The Governor, however, has expressed a strong opposition to any new appropriations, and is advocating retrenchment along all lines. We can see how he feels about this particular matter, however.

Yours very sincerely, E. A. Johnson

Enclosure.

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14th Amendment 17

January 22, 1918.

Mr. E. A. Johnson,
154 Nassau Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Johnson:

Enclosed is a memorandum concerning the proposed pageant.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Enc.

2/15/28

To W. E. B. DuBois 5040

On His Fiftieth Anniversary

FEB 14 1918

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You cast into the pit fifty grains from the sands of Time
As you cast into the pit fifty grains from the sands of Time
You wonder if the God of your desire has been pleased.
Brother pilgrim, cease to wonder! You have fashioned well the temple that was not built with hands.
There are many shadows hovering over Ethiopia. As Merlin in the legend you have dispelled many of those shadows.
You have led us from the Vale of Dross to the summit of the mountain that shines in the splendour of the Spirit.
You have led us by the magic of your word, by the music of one whose harpstrings were plucked from his soul.
When you turn down your glass and go to your eternal couch may you cast into the pit more than fifty grains from the sands of Time.

Fenton Johnson

Wabash Avenue Young Men's Christian Ass'n,
Chicago, Illinois.

Written in the Shadow of the Triple Holiday

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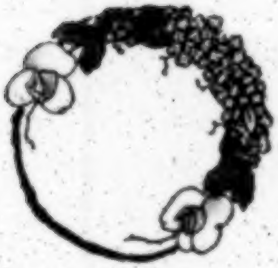

Happy Birthday.
May you live to be
a hundred.
We want you
on Earth

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1461 - S. St. N. W.

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Dr. W. E. B Dubois.

707 5th ave. N. Y.

Dear Dr. Dubois, -

2/3/14/26

I thank you for your full & ready response to my request. The check is now enclosed & received.

I must like to say that the 'Birthday Number' is extremely fine & is to me the most remarkable issue. The modest suggestion of yourself on the cover was a stroke

& related.

I am sending you two books
colored things I have done lately.
The two poems in the last
issue are very forceful, and
appear elegantly at this time.

I shall endeavor to gather
my patience about me and
wait calmly until my turn comes.

Sincerely

Georgia Johnson.

of genius & every body will appreciate
this for various & obvious reasons.

The Shadow of years is too beautiful
to end its day in the magazine. It
should be given again in a little
volume such as is used for Keats'
Isabella & the Pot of Basil. I
will devote you this little volume
when I see you. Pardon this sugges-
tion, but I have had so many
friends to pass out of my life &
out of the world & there some
sense of reticence have never
said what I felt to you; I shall
say some things in future at any
rate. The young girl loved
should have your life as you have
written it, in prose poem, kindly

February 2, 1918.

Mrs. Georgia D. Johnson;
1461 S Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Georgia Johnson:

Thank you very much for your kind words of January 29.

Very sincerely yours,

WHBD/CRB.

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Fifty Yrs - P7

Mrs Baker 58 yrs

Send copy to Jones

Mgt.

A SONNET TO DR. W.E.B.DU BOIS

Grandly isolate as the God of day,
Blazing an orbit thru the dank and gloom
Of misty morning, fair and far you loom,
Flooding the dimness with your golden ray,
Cheering the Mantled o'er the thorn-set way,
Speeding Hope, vocal from the questered toomb
Into the reaches where Faith's flowers bloom
Sweet with the first tender throbbings of May.

List! strains of Sanctus arise on the air,
(Ere Nunc Dimittas for aye has been sung)
Charged with emotions infinitely rare,
Breathings of innermost hearts, sorely wrung -
" Lead, lead us on o'er the furthermost stair,
Light of our ~~nescience~~ impotence! Joy of our tongue!

Georgia Douglas Johnson.

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March 9, 1918.

Mrs. Georgia D. Johnson,
1461 S Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Georgia Douglas:

I appreciate very much your kind greeting on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Monday Morning

Dr W.E.B.Duboise,

The Crisis N.Y.City,

Dear Dr. Duboise,

Arrangements have just been completed to place one of your busts in the Dunbar High School, I wanted to be the first to tell you as I am sure I am. The man is on his way to get it now and it will be placed by thr afternoon, I only wish that Jessie Fauset were here to go with me to see it shortly. She is in Philadelphia however because the schools are closed temporarily.

Pardon my announcing the fact of the bust unoffucially, but I am so delighted that I forget that maybe you will not be interested at all.

In all sincerety,

OCT 9 1918

Georgia Johnson.

LAW OFFICES
HENRY LINCOLN JOHNSON
Odd Fellows Building
ATLANTA, GA.

July 18th.,1918.

Dr.W.E.B.duBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

JUL 20 1918

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Kind Dr.duBois :

In my haste I have read something of your entering some branch of the Army Service, I do not now recall what.

I have, in common with the millions of Ngroes in America, become such a positive debtor of yours in your great fight for better things for Negroes, and so much of the terrible curtain of predjudice and hate has been torn from the aspiring vision of my children by your mighty blows for a fairer chance, that I am disconsolate at tidings of any change in your work that will take you from the forum of sentiment-making for us.

It will be quite a personal relief to be assured that your new work will entail the loss of your immeasurable service and sacrifice for each and evry one of us.

It certainly will not be news to you to be assured that in dear old mob-sticken Georgia, each Negro who is worth while joins me in the expression of this sentiment.

Gratefully yours,

HLJ/OLW

Henry Lincoln Johnson

2/15/30

July 26, 1918.

Mr. H. L. Johnson,
Odd Fellows Building,
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Sir:

Dr. DuBois is now away from his office on his vacation. In his absence I beg to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of July 18.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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Copy to Mr. Cooper

August 10, 1918.

Mr. P. L. Johnson,
Odd Fellows Building,
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind letter of July 18 which I am taking the liberty of quoting in THE CRISIS.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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BISHOP J. ALBERT JOHNSON
1412 No. EIGHTEENTH STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

January 29th 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois.
New York.

Dear Dr. Du Bois. 1868-1918.

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I am exempt from apology for seeming presumption in writing you congratulations on attaining your Fiftieth birthday, by your request for a line from your "friends". I am an admirer of sterling worth and efficiency. How splendidly fruitful your life has been. I have watched it since the day I voted for you as teacher of Latin and Greek in Wilberforce, and am fain to say I steadily regarded you as a thoughtful, courageous, progressive man. Heroicly unafraid to do your duty. and singularly convincing in argument for the cause you defend. "May your bow abide in strength." Your people greatly need you. A century of such invaluable service as you are rendering humanity now would be for too short.

Very sincerely yours.
J. Albert Johnson.

February 2, 1918.

Bishop J. Albert Johnson,
1412 S. Eighteenth Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Bishop Johnson:

I thank you very much for your kind words of January 29.

Very sincerely yours,

WEPD/ORB.

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TELEPHONE: HARLEM 1079

J. ROSAMOND JOHNSON

4-6 WEST 131st STREET

NEW YORK

January 22 1910

To Dr. W. E. Burghardt Du Bois
The Crisis
70 Fifth ave.
Ny. City

2/15/37

Dear Doctor Du Bois:-

Allow me in behalf of the Music School Settlement to thank you for the instructive and interesting lecture you gave us on Sunday afternoon Jan. 10th. Your support is highly appreciated and we hope that you shall come to see us as often as possible.

Sincerely yours, J. Rosamond Johnson

[JAMES WELDON JOHNSON]

50 Yrs

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J.W.J.

February 23 1918.

My dear Du Bois-

I want you to accept this little gift as a token of friendship and admiration. I congratulate you upon your fiftieth birthday. I hope you will see many more and that each succeeding year will bring a fuller retrospect of duty done and work accomplished.

Sincerely yours

James Weldon Johnson

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[JAMES WELDON JOHNSON]

50 Yrs

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February 23 1918.

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Sincerely yours

James Weldon Johnson

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February 26, 1918.

Mr. James W. Johnson,
c/o N.A.A.C.P.,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Johnson:

I want to thank you most heartily for the beautiful remembrance and for your hard and thoughtful work in helping to engineer the dinner. I think it was more than a success and I deeply appreciate it.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/ORB.

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R. U. Johnson
Room 411, 70 Fifth Avenue
New York

BOND
HAWKE BWIFT

FEB 8 1918

February 7, 1918.

Dear Major Spingarn:

I thank you for the compliment of your note of February 1. I should be glad to subscribe to the dinner to Dr. Dubois, but in a busy life of my own I have not followed his career sufficiently for me to permit myself to be one of the dinner committee. I am sure, however, that there is no dearth of others who are thoroughly familiar with his work, and, thus, more fortunate than I.

~~Sincerely~~ yours,

R. U. Johnson

Major J.E.Spingarn,
70 Fifth Ave.,
N.Y.C.

P.S. This note was dictated Feb.2 but owing to the absence of my secretary the transcript has been delayed. Please accept my apologies. R.U.J.

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OLDEST KINDERGARTEN PERIODICAL
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389 Clinton St.,Brooklyn,
Feb.4,1917.

Dr.W.E.B.Du Bois:
70 Fifth Ave.,N.Y.

Dear Dr.Du Bois:

Accept my cordial felicitations upon the attainment of your fiftieth birthday.

At the same time I congratulate the United States, our common country,upon its good fortune in giving birth to one destined to contribute so much to its enlightenment,through research work,upon problems the most serious,to its artistic and spiritual needs through your novels and poems,and to its general welfare through your work as teacher and editor.

May you live long to further inspire and encourage those who are fortunate in being your fellow-citizens.

Very sincerely yours,

Bertha Johnston

2/14/280

February 7, 1918.

Miss Bertha Johnston,
389 Clinton Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Miss Johnston:

I thank you very much for your kind words of February 4.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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716 E. Park St.,
Edwardsville, Ills.,
Feb. 24th, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,

Esteemed Sir:

My congratulations upon the celebration of your fiftieth birthday. May you be spared to see until you have realized your fondest dreams, I do trust.

Your hearty admirer,

Mrs. Anna Jones.

2/14/385

February 28, 1918.

Mrs. Anna Jones,
416 E. Park Street,
Edwardsville, Ill.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your kind words of February 21.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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April 19, 1918.

Mr. E. K. Jones,
2303 Seventh Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Jones:

Giles Jackson must be exposed. How can I get at the facts of his career? I should be glad for any advice. I suppose you know that he has been seriously considered as Labor Advisor to the Government.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE ON URBAN CONDITIONS AMONG NEGROES
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April 20th, 1918.

Giles Jackson
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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
The Crisis,
70 Fifth Avenue, City.

My dear Dr. DuBois,

Mr. T. Arnold Hill, Executive Secretary of the Chicago Urban League, was Executive Secretary to Giles Jackson for many years. He would know much about his private career, but I should think that he would not be willing to talk about it because of his intimate and personal connection with the man, working on salary.

If you could get hold of William Miller, cafe proprietor at 426 Jackson Avenue, Long Island City, a former resident of Richmond, who was the treasurer of the Exposition Company, for the support of which Giles Jackson secured something like $30,000 appropriation from the government, you could secure information that would be very valuable in the statement that you wish to make relative to Jackson's career. Miller's telephone number is Astoria 1196.

I suppose you have heard the good news that Dr. George E. Haynes has been offered and has accepted the position of labor adviser to the Secretary of Labor.

Sincerely yours,

APR 22 1918

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Eugene Kinckle Jones.

"Let us work not as colored people nor as white people for the narrow benefit of any group alone, but ***together****, as American citizens for the common good of our common city, our common country."*

MRS. WILLIAM H. BALDWIN, JR.

WHAT WE DO TOWARD THIS END

We

1. Try to show social welfare agencies the advantage of co-operation.
2. Secure and train social workers.
3. Protect women and children from unscrupulous persons.
4. Fit workers { for / to } work
5. Help to secure playgrounds and other clean places for amusement.
6. Organize boys' and girls' clubs and neighborhood unions.
7. Help with probation oversight of delinquents.
8. Maintain a country home for convalescent women.
9. Investigate conditions of city life as a basis for practical work.

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Wheeling, W. Va.,
2/4/18.

My dear Dr. DuBois: Ans.

"May you live long & prosper."

50yrs

Sincerely,

A. A. Jones.

68—11th St.

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February 14, 1918.

Mr. H. H. Jones,
68 Eleventh Street,
Wheeling, W. Va.

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My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind words of February 4.

Very sincerely yours,

WERD/GRB.

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DU BOIS
JAN 29 1918

Washington D.C.

January, 27th 1918.

The Crisis.
70. Fifth Avenue New York.

I am glad of an oppotunity, to add my congratulation to The Crisis, upon reaching its fifieth mile stone of its existante. and the Monument it has. built, for good, and usefulness to the interest of our race.

May God, bless its good work and a long life, to still do better.

My best wishes for the Crisis.

Mrs Ida M. Jones.

1526. M. Street N.W.
Washington D.C.

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February 2, 1918.

Mrs. Ida M. Jones,
1526 M Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your kind words of January 27.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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30 Mrs 1/2 Lodge St.

SUBSCRIPTION

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Cambridge Mass.

Jan 29th 1918.

Dear Sir and Editor

Inclosed one dollar for the renewal of subscription of The Crisis also congratulations to our Editor, W. E. B. Du Bois on attaining his 50th birthday, God

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be with you and sustain you
to reach 50 or more, our race
needs such fearless souls as
yours to lead us on and help
us to fight our battles. God bless
you. From one of your many
admirers. Jas. L. Jones.

February 7, 1918.

Mr. James D. Jones,
11 Dodge Street,
Cambridge, Mass.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate you kind words of January 29.

Very sincerely yours,

WKBD/GHB.

[MILDRED BRYANT JONES]

3800 Rhodes Ave., Flat DD - 2
Chicago, Illinois.
June 30, 1918.

2/16/12

My dear Dr. Du Bois: -

You probably received O. K. some two and a half or three weeks ago the invitation to my marriage (to Mr. Preston S. Jones - a pharmacist of this city) on June 24th in Louisville. I am so sorry that you were not in that "neck of the woods" so you could have been present. It would have been such a pleasure to me.

I do hope that you are well and that everything is going splendidly with and for you. I am O. K.

Now to the point - and confidentially - ssssss (ha! ha!) I have been re-appointed in Louisville & have not resigned, etc. There was times make things so uncertain - that it

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behoove me to be slow & cautious in everything — well, I'll modify that — one need not necessarily be slow — but it is certainly imperative that one be cautious & careful. If the draft age is raised to 40 or 45 — it will probably catch my husband — I am suggesting that he enlist and try to get something in the line of work he is fitted for (Pennsylvania & has resided in Penn., Ill., Ky., Missouri, Arkansas etc etc.) — as a chemist or pharmacist — which would be far preferable than to being drafted as a private. If you have any suggestions along this line, I shall be grateful for them — or for any possible assistance in the matter. At present he is the only registered pharmacist in the drug firm of H. E. Wallace & 3859 State St., Chicago. He is, of course, not over enthusiastic about my planning to teach in Ky. (tho he appreciates the action of the folks there in saying that they want me — & in electing that I

return) — & if the stress of war conditions force him to be away from me — he would feel better satisfied if I was placed in some congenial sphere — & employment in the East — N.Y. City, Washington Phila. or Boston — or near here — so please keep your eyes & ears open to opportunities — & help me get placed in something congenial — either in my line of work — or anything suitable — I & I shall be so grateful.

Honestly now — did you ever know any one person to ask for as much as I do? But "Last Straw!" — I not only ask for it & want it — I expect it — & intend to get it

If I can serve you at any time, command me.

With all good wishes, I am,

Your friend,

Mildred

P.S. Please address me Mildred Bryant Jones — I am not going to give up my identity even if I am married — "Please note!"

Please write me soon. M.B.J.

Friends-PT

July 12, 1918.

2/16/11

Mrs. Mildred Bryant Jones,
3800 Rhodes Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mrs. Jones:

To say I was surprised at your marriage, of course, puts it mildly. Naturally, I am glad you are in out of the rain but it would be too bad to have the husband drafted right off.

I suppose it is best for you to keep your position although I don't blame Mr. Jones for lack of enthusiasm. I should advise Mr. Jones to get into correspondence with Emmett Scott and see what chances there are for an officers' training camp or something of the kind.

Let me hear from you from time to time.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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BRIDGEPORT, CONN. September 4th, 1918

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Prof. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York, City.

Back to DuB

Sympathy

Prof. Dubois:-

Will you please furnish me with following information, or direct me how I may be able to obtain the same.

How many negroes have been lynched in the United States since the Civil war up to the present time? 1 The number in each State? 1 And for what Crime? 1

The States in which the Negro is disfranchised? 2

The States in which the Jim Crow laws exist? 3

The States in which some form of slavery exist?

The population of the Negroes according to States? 4

The total number that fought in the revolutionary war? 5

The total number that fought in the war of 1812? 6

The number that fought in the Civil war? 7

On the Union side? 7 On the Confederate side? 8

The total number that enlisted during the Spanish American war? 9

The present standing Negro Soldiers in all branches of services? 10 The total number in the service at the present time? 10 How many Officers 11 The total amount of taxiable property owned by the Negroes according to States? 12

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Valuation of non taxiable property according to States? _____ 13 This to include Churches, 14 Schools, and 15 Charitable Institutions, The number of Schools and colleges owned controled and supported by the Negroes? 14 _____

The number of months of public schools for them in each State per year? 16 _____ The total number of farmers? 17 _____

Valuation of annual product? 18 _____ Total number of manufscturers? 19 _____ Value of production? 20 _____ Number in employ? 21 _____ Total number of Business men? 22 _____

Kinds of business ? 23 _____

Total number of Corporations? 24 _____ Total Capital Stock of the same? 25 _____ Total number of Insurance Companies? 26 _____ Valuation? 27 _____ Total number of secret societies ? 28 _____ Membership? 29 _____ Value of property? 30 _____

Total number of school teachers? 31-29,432 Total number of Medical Doctors? 32-3,077 Total number of Dentist? 33(478) Total number of Lawyers ? 34-798 Total number of other professional men and women? 35-33,460 Total number of Mechanics? ? 36 _____

(1910)

According to the trades? 37 _____ The present population of the Negro in the United States? 38-~~11,672,266~~ The total amount invested in Liberty Bonds, by the Negroes? 39 _____ The total amount invested in war Saving stamps, by the Negroes? 40 _____ The total amount

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Contributed to the Red Cross, by the Negroes? 41 The total number of Red Cross workers? 42 The total number of trained Nurses? 43. Also please furnish me with advertising rates in the Crisis? Page, and any part. If there is any cost for the information requested in this enclosurer, please write me the amount of the same.

Thanking you in advance, with best wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

Lucius J. Jordan

JEJ

Title court Jordan article

Answers to Questions Submitted to the CRISIS by Lucius J. Jordan, September 4, 1918.

1. How many Negroes have been lynched in the U. S. since the Civil War up to the present time?

1885 - 1918*

1885	78	1903	86
1886	71	1904	83
1887	80	1905	61
1888	95	1906	64
1889	95	1907	60
1890	90	1908	93
1891	121	1909	73
1892	155	1910	65
1893	154	1911	63
1894	134	1912	63
1895	112	1913	79
1896	80	1914	69
1897	122	1915	80
1898	102	1916	55
1899	84	1917	44
1900	107	1918*	46
1901	107		
1902	86	TOTAL	2,957

*Up to September 24

2. How many in each state?

Negroes and Whites Lynched
According to States
1885 - 1918 *

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Mississippi	347	Arkansas	203
Texas	310	Kentucky	164
Louisiana	301	Florida	163
Georgia	365	South Carolina	127
Alabama	254	Virginia	83
Tennessee	213	Missouri	85
Indiana Territory	48	New Mexico	15
North Carolina	58	Washington	16
West Virginia	45	Ohio	14
Oklahoma	63	Arizona	12
Indiana	38	Iowa	13
Kansas	35	Oregon	10
California	33	Michigan	5
Wyoming	34	Minnesota	4
Nebraska	30	Alaska	4
Colorado	26	Nevada	4
Montana	25	Wisconsin	3
Maryland	21	New York	2
Dakota	18	Pennsylvania	2
Illinois	20	Connecticut	1
Idaho	16	Delaware	1
		New Jersey	1

3. For what crimes?

* Up to September 24

** No figures for 1888, 1904 -'10

Negroes and Whites lynched according to Crimes

1885 - 1918 *

file with Jordan article

	1885	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892
Rape	31	30	40	46	44	42	46	58
Murder	88	66	54	61	64	43	79	101
Other crimes	62	37	29	35	67	43	70	77

	1901	1902	1903**	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915
Rape	29	30	21		4	6	8	9
Murder	42	41	55	32	32	31	30	32
Other crimes	64	25	28	31	38	44	31	39

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	1916	1917	1918 *
Rape	3	11	10
Murder	23	5	16
Other crimes	31	28	21

*Up to September 24

** No figures for 1904 - '10

Complete statistics do not exist. We have given all of the reliable figures.

4. In what states is the Negro disfranchised?

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The states and the dates of disfranchisement of Negroes are ~~given~~:

Mississippi	1890	South Carolina	1895
Louisiana	1898	North Carolina	1901
Alabama	1901	Virginia	1902
	Georgia	1909	

5. In what states do "Jim Crow" laws exist?

Excepting Missouri, all the Southern States have laws separating the races in railroad cars. The dates of the enactment of these laws are as follows:

Lynchings

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	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897	1898	1899	1900
Rape	57	47	40	40	32	24	18	31
Murder	79	74	68	49	69	74	56	43
Other crimes	64	69	63	42	65	29	33	41

1881	--	Tennessee	1887	----	Florida
1888	--	Mississippi	1889	----	Texas
1890	-	Louisana	1891	- --	Alabama
1891	-	Arkansas	1891	----	Georgia
1898	-	South Carolina	1899	----	North Carolina
1900	-	Virginia	1904	----	Maryland
		Oklahoma -----	1907		

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Georgia and Oklahoma include street cars; Florida, Louisana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia have special statutes applicable to street cars; Arkansas requires a separation on street cars in cities of the first class, and South Carolina on suburban lines; in Maryland, South Carolina, Alabama, Kentucky, Missouri the State laws do not require the races to be separated on street cars in cities; in Alabama and South Carolina there are either municipal laws for the separation of races on street cars or the street railway companies provide for and require separation; in cities of Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri the races are not separated on street cars.

6. States in which some form of slavery exists?

No legal slavery exists in the United States. In the country districts of South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisana, Arkansas and Texas, there is widespread illegal peonage,- that is, customs and laws making it difficult, if not impossible, for a laborer to leave his job.

7. Population of Negroes according to States?

The population of Negroes by States according to the Census, 1910:

Maine	1,363	South Dakota	817
New Hampshire	564	Nebraska	7,689
Vermont	1,621	Kansas	54,030
Massachusetts	38,055	Delaware	31,181

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Rhode Island	9,529	Maryland	232,250
Connecticut	15,174	District of Columbia	94,446
New York	134,191	Virginia	671,096
New Jersey	89,760	West Virginia	64,173
Pennsylvania	193,919	North Carolina	698,843
Ohio	111,452	South Carolina	835,843
Indiana	60,320	Georgia	1,176,987
Illinois	109,049	Florida	308,669
Michigan	17,115	Kentucky	261,656
Wisconsin	2,900	Tennessee	473,088
Minnesota	7,084	Alabama	908,282
Iowa	14,973	Mississippi	1,009,487
Missouri	157,452	Arkansas	442,891
North Dakota	617	Louisiana	713,874
Oklahoma	173,612	Texas	690,049
Montana	1,834	Idaho	651
Wyoming	2,235	Colorado	11,453
New Mexico	1,628	Arizona	2,009
Utah	1,144	Nevada	513
Washington	6,058	Oregon	1,492
	California	21,645	

8. How many Negroes fought in the Revolutionary War?

A. There were between three and five thousand Negro soldiers in the War of the Revolution.

There are no exact figures. Estimates are given.

9. How many Negro soldiers fought in the War of 1812?

A. Between three and four thousand Negroes were enlisted in the War of 1812.

There are no exact figures. Estimates are given.

10. How many Negroes fought in the Civil War on either side?

A. There were 178,975 Negro soldiers in the Civil War, - 141 regiments of infantry; 7 regiments of cavalry; 12 heavy artillery regiments; 1 light artillery regiment, - a total of 161 regiments.

Figures for the Union troops are given.

There are no exact figures for the Confederate troops, but it is known that several thousand Negroes enlisted and were drafted.

11. How many Negroes were enlisted during the Spanish-American War?

A. In the Spanish-American War there were four regiments of Negro troops in the Regular Army and ten regiments of volunteers. Only one of the volunteer regiments and the four Regular regiments actually went to Cuba.

12. Present standing Negro soldiers in all branches of service?

A. There are now two Negro regiments of Cavalry and two Negro regiments of Infantry in the Regular Army. 13. Total number of Negro Soldiers in the service at the present time?

There is a total of 400,000 Negro soldiers under arms, of whom 130,000 are with the American Expeditionary Forces.

14. How many Negro Officers?

A. There are about 1,200 Negro officers in the United States Army.

~~12.~~15. The total amount of taxable property owned by Negroes according to ~~States?~~

It may be estimated at $1,000,000,000.

Only a very general estimate can be given in answer to this question.

The value of property owned by Negro farmers in the South was in 1910 - $346,881,270.

~~13.~~16. Valuation of non-taxable Negro property according to ~~States?~~

There is no data as to the valuation of non-taxable Negro property, except as follows:

~~13.~~ The total valuation of Negro church property in the United States was in 1906 - $56,636,159.

~~14.~~ - The total valuation of Negro school property in 1910 was $34,222,555. This is not, however, all that is actually owned by Negroes.

There is no data as to the total valuation of charitable institutions.

17. The number of schools and colleges owned, controlled and supported by Negroes?

~~15.~~ There are 153 private schools under the control of colored school boards; but many of the 472 other private schools are partially under Negro control.

No complete answer can be given to this question.

18. The number of months of public Schools for them in Pennsylvania State per year?

~~16.~~ The official length of the school term for Negroes in the Southern States is as follows: Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, less than 5 months per year; Georgia, Arkansas, Tennessee, between 5 and 6 months; Oklahoma, Kentucky, Texas, Virginia, slightly over

6 months. For the rural districts where most of the Negroes live the term is much shorter than this, and probably does not average over ~~6~~ three months.

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9. Total number of Negro farmers?

According to the Census of 1910, there ~~are~~ were 877,818 Negro farmers; 1,949,759 Negro farm laborers.

Valuation of annual product?

~~18.~~ There are no data of the annual product on Negro farms later than 1900.

In 1900, it was reported as $255,171,145 on farms owned and operated by Negroes.

20. Total number of Negro manufacturers, what is the value of their production and the numver in employ?

There are no figures in answer to these questions.

21. ~~19.~~ Total number of Negro business men, and kinds of business?

The following figures are given for Negro business men by the Census of 1910:

Bankers, brokers, etc.,	336	Clerks	3,498
Insurance agents, etc.,	1,833	Proprietors, managers, etc.,	205
Real estate agents	762	Retail dealers	20,653
Salesmen	5,178	Undertakers	953

Wholesale dealers - 241

22. Total number of Negro corporations and their capital stock?

~~20.~~ There are no figures as to the number of corporations conducted by Negroes and their capital stock.

23. How many Negro insurance companies are there, and what is their valuation?

~~21.~~ The number of Negro insurance companies is not known. Their assets, (reported by Howard University)*amount to $1,550,000; their total income

$2,812,000; insurance policies in force $25,800,000.

The answers to these questions can only be given in part, and are in the nature of estimates.

24. What is the number of Negro Secret Societies, their membership and value of property?

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22. There are 45 State Grand Lodges of colored Masons, membership 150,000 7,500 Lodges of Odd Fellows, membership 300,000 and 5,000 Households of Ruth, membership 200,000; 250,000 members of Knights of Pythias; 18,000 Elks; 100,000 Mosaic Templars; 40,000 Order of St. Luke. Besides these, there are a large number of benevolent orders, whose membership is not reported.

Knights of Pythias have collected over $1,000,000 for endowment and own over one and one-half million dollars of property; the Masons own one million dollars worth of property; Odd Fellows, two million dollars worth of property. Probably Negro secret societies own between nine and ten million dollars worth of property.

A complete answer for this cannot be given.

25. Total number of Negro school teachers, physicians, dentists, lawyers and other professional Negroes?

25. According to the Census of 1910, there were 29,432 Negro school teachers; physicians and surgeons, 3,077; dentists, 478; lawyers, 798; 33,460 other professional Negroes.

26. Total number Negro mechanics according to their trades?

According to the Census of 1910 there were the following Negro mechanics:

Bakers	21,125	Blacksmiths	9,838
Boil makers	475	Masons	12,403
Butchers	1,099	Carpenters	30,468
Typesetters	1,128	Dressmakers	38,216
Electricians	703	Engineers	4,803

Fireman	14,927	Machinists	3,326
Moulders	2,221	Painters	8,927
Paperhangers	968	Plasterers	6,175
Plumbers, steamfitters	2,285	Sawyers	3,152
Cigar, tobacco factory workers	16,306	Iron, steel workers	6,094
Lumber, furniture workers	11,941	Shoe factory workers	2,485

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27. The present population of the Negro in the United States?

~~25~~. The Census estimate of Negro population in the United States, July 1, 1916 was 10,903,537.

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There are probably twelve million Negroes in the United States today.

28. The total amount invested by Negroes in Liberty Bonds, War Saving Stamp, the Red Cross and the number of Negro Red Cross workers?

~~26~~. There are no figures upon which answers tothese questions can be based.

29. The total number of Negro trained nurses?

~~27~~. The Census of 1910 estimated Negro trained nurses at 2,433. There are probably over 3,000 now.

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RICHMOND DISTRICT OFFICE.
Southern Aid Society of Va., Inc.
527 A. N. 2nd STREET,
RICHMOND - VIRGINIA.
...S AGAINST SICKNESS AND ACCIDENT
...A JORDAN Supt.

CHARTERED FEB. 25, 1893 — AMENDED, NOV. 14, 1898 JUNE 16, 1908.
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RICHMOND, VA.

Richmond, Va.

Feb. 21, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois,
Editor Crisis,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Doctor Dubois:

Thousands of grateful fellow Americans rejoice with you at having attained the half century mark in a very eventful life.

We hope and pray that the fight that you have waged, in season and out, for rights and privileges denied us, simply on account of color, will be won very early in the second half of the journey toward the century mark; and, sustained by this victory and the mercies of a kind providence you will round out the coveted mark in peace and happiness.

Were we to attempt to enumerate, at this time, the many things for which we are indebted to you, this happy birthday season would become a burden and bore to you.

I shall, therefore content myself with an expression of thanks to you, for the two articles in the February Crisis. In your biography you destroy the American white man's greatest boomerang against your onslaughts on prejudice.

He claims that your education has placed you so far above your people that you want to be a white man. You state that while you have French and Dutch blood in your veins, you are proud of the fact that there is a flood of Negro blood.

In your expose of Mr. Jones' Investigation of Negro Education in the South, you have opened the eyes of the country to the bias and prejudice of the present Educational Boards toward worthwhile education for the American Negro.

Respectfully Yours,
W. A. Jordan

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February 27, 1918.

Mr. W. A. Jordan,
527 A. N. Second Street,
Richmond, Virginia.

My dear Mr. Jordan:

I appreciate very much your kind letter of February 21.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Coweta, Okla. November 20, 1918.

Mr. W.E.B.DuBois,

New York, N.Y.,

Dear Sir:-

I am interested in co-operation, and desire to get all the enlightenment thereon that I can. In compliance with your request in the November Crisis I am writting for any information you can give me, forwhich I heartily thank you in advance.

Yours very respectfully,

C. N. Joshua

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THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS
LAWRENCE

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December 18,1918.

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Dr. W.E.Burghardt DuBois,
Editor of The Crisis,
70 Fifth Ave.,N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I have postponed reply to your inquiry in regard to negro students in history because I have been unable to get names and present addresses. We have very few colored students in the University and fewer who go through to graduation. I had a really brilliant girl,named Ruby Thornton,who graduated in 1911. She has since then taken graduate work here and at the University of Wisconsin. Her home address was Atchison,Kans. but I do not know where she is now and the alumni record does not give any information upon this point. We had one other student,a man whose name I cannot recall who did promising work in collecting material for a history of the Negro Exodus into Kansas,which we hoped to publish but he proved not to have sufficient constructive ability to put it into acceptable shape. He never took any work with me but did his work with Dr.Davis,who is on leave in France and from whom I cannot get information. I recall one other promising man but he took but one two hour course with me and I cannot remember his name. I have been through my class rolls but cannot locate him. There is nothing in my rolls to mark colored students.

The preliminary election of juniors to Phi Beta Kappa last week included one colored student in a list of three elections. This is the first election here of a colored student to Phi Beta Kappa and as far as my information goes the first that has been deserved. I think that there has never been any discrimination on account of color. While Miss Thornton was probably brighter than some who were elected she did not have the

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well rounded record that secures election. As she made her own way ~~xxxxx~~ through college by domestic service, she worked at a disadvantage. The name of the student recently elected is James Scott. I do not think that he has taken any history.

Yours very truly,

F. H. Hodder

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December 31, 1918

Mr. F. H. Hodder,
History and Political Science,
The University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois sailed for France, December 1, on a special ship, "The Orizaba," along with a distinguished number of newspaper men.

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Dr. Du Bois will represent The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and THE CRISIS at the Peace Conference. He will also summon a Pan-African Conference, to meet at Paris, and press the question of the African colonies.

In his absence I beg to thank you for your interest and cooperation in the History of the Negro in the Great War.

Very sincerely yours,

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427 East 3rd Street,
Emporium, Pa.,
October 1, 1918.

Dear Mr. Dubois

I have been trying to acknowledge your letter of August 6th., ever since I received it, but I have been so busy since I came here, that I have just found the opportunity. I also want to tell you about how I came out in Washington, for I believe it to be one of the worst cases of "Jim-Crow" that I have yet come in contact with.

You remember, you advised me to write to Scott, but he, true to the teachings of Tuskeegee, was afraid to speak for me, and told me he could do nothing. He told Mrs. Talbert, however, that he had secured the place for me, but I had not taken it. She was greatly surprised when I showed her the letter he sent me. However,

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I found that the new superintendent of the plant, F.L. Locke, who came in with the receivers, had great influence in Washington. He was from Tennessee, but was broad enough to overlook the question of color. He sent me to Washington with a letter to a Captain Sutherland at the American University. After Sutherland read the letter, he said that he was always glad to get hold of men that Locke sent to him, and that my plan for a powerful explosive, tho novel, promised great results. He said he would take me on as a civilian for three or four months, at my present salary, and then I would get a Captain's commission. I agreed to that, and he asked me if I could start work that day, and he would show me a laboratory.

I told him, however, that I had ~~only~~ come to Washington prepared to stay only a day or two but would go back to New York, and return ~~in~~ the following Monday (It was then Wednesday) He told his secretary to rush my application through for the necessary O.K's, and told me to come back on Monday. On ~~the~~ following Friday night, I received a ~~letter~~ telegram saying "Regret to advise application not approved, hence we cannot avail ourselves of your services. (signed) Richter" That is all the explanation I have ever gotten from them. I would give anything to know what happened after I left there that day.

I came out here, [Emlenton, Pa.] then, to the Aetna Explosives Company, which was then manufacturing 80,000 pounds of picric acid a day,

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and in three weeks showed them that they could make 110,000 lbs per day from the same amount of raw material and labor, by showing them the theory of nitration on which the chemist who installed the process apparently knew nothing. I heard today, that the government will take the process and instal it in all the government plants in America, yet they could not give me a commission on account of the injury it would do to democracy to have a Negro working with them. I am glad that we are fighting for a principle and not for the glorification of any one country.

Thanking you for the interest you have taken in the whole matter, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Harry S. Keelan

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Fernandina, Fla.
Feb. 23, 1918

Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois
New York City N.Y.
My Dear Sir:—

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It is with great pleasure that I take this method of congratulating you on this your birth day. That you may live to see many more anniversaries is my earnest desire.

Hoping that you will continue the great work that you are doing, and that success, health and happiness will ever be yours, I am,

Great truly yours,
R. E. Kelley,
Fernandina, Fla.

March 7, 1918.

Mr. R. E. Kelly,
Fernandina, Fla.

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My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words in your note of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

SAMUEL T. KELLY
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
497 E. Long Street
Columbus, Ohio

Bell. Main 6658
Citizens 2875

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Feb. 23, 1918.

Dr. W. E. Du Bois,
Editor of the Crisis,
70 Fifth Av.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir; or may I say dear friend, because a man who loves justice for all is a friend of all.

However I desire the honor of sending you a word of congratulation on this the fiftieth anniversary of your birth. I merely want to say that you are engaged in the greatest cause of all the earth-the cause of humanity and justice, untarnished by vain glory or hypocrisy.

The race has in you a fearless and capable leader. We know your burdens. We know your sorrows. We know of the sneers and predjudice from without and from within. God grant that you falter not beneath the load, and that you, our brave and unalloyed knight be spared for many years that justice and liberty might have a sure and ready defender. I am

Very truly yours,

Samuel T. Kelly.

2/24/23

March 9, 1918.

Mr. Samuel T. Kelly,
497 East Long Street,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your encouraging words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEED/GRB.

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2352 - 6th St., N.W.,
Washington, D? C.,
April 24, 1918.

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The Crisis:

I have read with much interest your articles on the subject of co-operative buying, and would be much obliged if you would send me such literature as you have available on the subject. Any charges connected with same will be promptly paid.

Very truly yours,

S. M. Kendrick.

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May 3, 1918.

Mr. S. M. Hendrick,
2352 Sixth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Sir:

I am going to have a conference on cooperation and some literature this summer. I shall write you later.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Friends. pX 9

61 Hamilton Pl.
New York.
Jan. 24. 18.

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My dear Mrs. Du Bois,

I have long wanted to ask you to come to see us, and haven't done so before now because I meant to gather other scintillating guests.

Today I heard sad news from Sorain which you have probably heard also, but I shall repeat it in case it may not have reached you. Ruth Fisher's father died very suddenly three days ago. I am deeply

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We are on the corner of 140th. St and Hamilton Place, easily reached from the 137th. St. subway stop.

I shall be very glad if you can come on Sunday, especially now when I feel so troubled about Ruth.

Cordially yours,

Edna Barrera Kerr.

(Mrs. Stewart Kerr)

Phone Audubon 980 - Apt. 64.

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troubled about her situation. It seemed as if her life was as hard as it could be before this, and I should like to talk with you about her. This is the letter of all others when she needs comprehending help and sympathy.

Could you come to supper with us on Sunday any time after five? I am afraid you will not be able to manage it on such short notice but I should like very much to have you. My husband will be glad to meet you, too, and if you cannot come for Sunday we will ask you soon again.

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OFFICE HOURS:
9 TO 11 A. M.
5 TO 7 P. M.

DR. LAURA A. KILLINGSWORTH

DISEASES OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN A SPECIALTY.

1509 S STREET, N. W.,

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 20, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Permit me to join your many friends and admirers in felicitating you upon this your fiftieth birth-day anniversary.

I am a staunch believer in and an ardent advocate of the righteous principles for which the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People stands, and which it is so signally espousing, led on by THE CRISIS of which you are the courageous and erudite editor.

Although many are slow to realize the fact, or at least to acknowledge it, you are nevertheless the foremost leader of the Negro race today. Perhaps it may be of some interest to you to learn that even my only child, a sweet little girl of five summers, is being taught to regard your portrait, which graces my study, as the likeness of a great and heroic champion of human rights, the Moses of an oppressed but potentially great race.

May you live to celebrate your onehundredth birth-day.

Very truly yours,

F. R. Killingsworth.

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March 6, 1918.

Mr. F. R. Killingsworth,
1509 S Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind letter of February 20, and send my greetings to the little girl.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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182 Chestnut Street,
Atlanta, Georgia.
February 19, 1918

My dear Dr. DuBois:-
Be assured that your former students are among those who join most heartily in best of wishes for yourself, Mrs. DuBois and Yolande as your fiftieth birth day anniversary approaches.

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We congratulate not only you and your family, but ourselves and the whole world because of what your fifty years have meant.

With deepest interest do we read and re-read "The Shadow of Years" in the current issue of the Crisis. As if to bring

them back, we linger over your days spent at Atlanta University. Grateful- very, very grateful - are we to Providence for having guided you to us; and to you, for having given so freely of your wealth of mind, of soul, and of heart.

My grandmother, my mother, my brother and I join — I cannot but think how sincerely my father, too, would join — in heartiest greetings to you and yours, and in most earnest wishes that your "Second Age of Miracles" long, long, continues.

With highest esteem,
I am most sincerely yours,
Arnold L. Weiss

March 5, 1918.

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Miss Annadel C. King,
182 Chestnut Street,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Miss King:

I thank you, your mother and grandmother very much for your kind and encouraging words.

Very sincerely yours,

WKED/GRB.

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749½ Queen St. West
Toronto, Canada
February 23, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois.
70 Fifth ave.
New York City.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

Please allow me to wish you many happy returns of the day, hoping you will be spared to see many more, and that each one will mark the continued progress of our Race under your wise leadership.

I have read The Crisis for 4 years and highly appreciate that valuable organ and the efforts the N.A.A.C.P is making on our behalf; it was with the greatest pleasure that I joined the Local here.

I have also read 3 of your books and I am indeed grateful to you for the history learnt and the inspiration they have inculcated. I am so impressed with your fearless writing that I will follow obediently wherever you lead, making any sacrifice.

It is my fervent wish that you will be spared to turn the N.A.A.C.P. into a great international movement - Pan-African, if you please; to link us up with the organisations of other suppressed peoples; to see to the composition of a song that will voice our aspiration all over the earth and the rapid training of a large number of Chemists and Engineers by public (colored) subscription, if necessary.

Again wishing you all success and repeating my loyalty to you and the cause.

Believe me to be,
Yours Sincerely,
Arthur E. King

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March 8, 1918.

Mr. Arthur G. Zing,
749½ Queen Street, West,
Toronto, Canada.

My dear Sir:

May I thank you for your kind letter on my birthday?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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My dear Dr. Du Bois:-

This letter tho tardy, is not untimely, for the year in which comes the fiftieth anniversary of your birth, is a year of Jubilee!

The time set apart by me for writing your golden Jubilee letter, found me unable to write -

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When the day came, be-
cause I could not be up and
must be quiet, I was at
liberty without interuption
to devote the day to thanksgiving
and prayer to the all loving
Father, that omniscient om-
nipotence, may keep and
guide you till the time is
ripe for your Diamond Jubilee
when all will know you
as now do the few who know
you best, as greater than
a statesmen, more than
a patriot- a chosen vessel
inspired of God, a great
worldwide apostle of
truth and justice.

It was not long after
you appeared above the
horizon of Atlanta University
before you were known to be
a star of first magnitude.

upon further observation
you were discovered to be
the star of Hope for the Negro.
the erudite scholar. the profound
philosopher, the fearless
advocate of truth and
justice-
You are called of God -
We thank God that you were
not disobedient to the Heavenly
vision - We look with pride
upon your splended past - and
with confidence await your glorious
future -
Atlanta Ga - Very Sincerely
George Sweet Williams

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182 Chestnut St
Atlanta Ga
April 8-1918

My dear Dr DuBois:-

I could not control circumstances which prohibited the execution of certain plans which I shall not explain now.

I took from Mr Calloway a number of 7 Feb. 1918 Crisis which as I get out from time to time I shall place into the homes. No home in America should be without a copy of 7 Feb. 1918 Crisis - I wish many white citizens to have a copy and shall try to supply them -

I put into the hands of the noted Mrs W. H. Felton, widow of late Judge Felton of Cartersville a copy - Wish you might have witnessed the interview.

We were indeed proud
of being invited to the
Golden Jubelee Banquet -

Greatly do we appreciate
our Christmas card from
the DuBois family, whose
memory is so dear and
whom we so sadly miss. -

To day is expected in
Atlanta the body of Mrs
M. A. McNeil, Mother of Mrs Adrienne
Herndon - 4th Inst
Funeral Tuesday am from
Herndon residence -

Just eight years from day
and hour that we laid to rest
the body of the daughter, Adrienne

Much love to Mrs DuBois
and Yolande -

Very Sincerely
(Mrs) Georgia Swift King

May I inclose P.O. order and list of
Subscribers to Crisis

G. S. K.

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April 16, 1918.

Mrs. Georgia Swift King,
182 Chestnut Street,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Mrs. Kind:

I thank you very much for your kind words.

My best regards to the family.

Very sincerely yours,

WEDD/GRB.

N.A.A.C.P.
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Chicago.

February 17, 1918.

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Dear Mr. Dill:-

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Heartiest congratulations to our own dear Dr. DuBois on this his fiftieth anniversary.

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the first instant, and glad to renew my subscription for the Crisis. Inspired by the good work it is doing, I am in the fight to do "my bit" in increasing the circulation of one of the world's greatest magazines.

Last summer, I induced two of my friends to subscribe, after I had loaned them a few of my old copies to read. Later, I tackled a white news dealer in my neighborhood for his

subscription. In the meantime, taking every copy as it came to me, to him to let him read, even before I read them. Now he informs me he will subscribe in the near future.

Mr. Groop - 4010 Indiana Ave. is the man, - you should have on file a letter from him a few weeks ago - asking for your terms on a number of copies, - I think he thus informed me.

Mr. Dill, I want to ask a favor of you: I know you personally, but just now, you may not recall our acquaintance. I lived in Atlanta during your time at A. U. even before you went away to college, and after

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your return to teach there.
I suggest that you write
Mr. W. S. Brawley, Morehouse,
who will tell you of me.
I was a letter carrier there,
was put out 1913 - came to
Chicago 1914. In 1917, the
U.S. Civil Commission permitted
me to take one clerk and one
carrier examination. I passed
both - at the end of the year
the Commission notified me
that my stamp had been
cancelled on account of my
removal from the Atlanta
office. I know a great injustice
has been done me. May I

ask you to write the branch of the N. A. A. C. P. here, and get them interested in my case; I can produce the real facts.

I know something would be done to give me justice, if I had money to employ legal talent, but I am unequal to the circumstances now, having to work long hours for small pay, and putting all my extra time in evening school at Wendell Phillips; there is little chance for me to present my case before proper authorities.

If you will only write Dr. Bentley, I think the efforts of the Branch will bring good results.

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With the renewal of my subscription, I wish to participate in this birthday testimonial by adding at least one new subscriber, - my sister-in-law.

Mrs. Elizabeth King
P.O. Box 126
Clayton, Ala

I hope every name on the enclosed blue blanks will mean a new subscriber.

With very good wish,

Sincerely -
T. E. King
4034 Indiana Ave.

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8 Mundy St
Georgetown Dem:
British Guiana
20 Feb 1918

To
W. E. Du Bois Esq

Dear Sir,

It is with great pleasure that I write you, wishing you a very happy birthday, also hoping that the ideals you are still working for may may be attained soon. I like your garrulity very much and should like all the new numbers to contain just such excellent sketches of famed colored men. I was mindfull of writing

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you for some time, but I always put it off. I am but a poor Negro with a great deal of ambition, and having left school since I was thirteen to work and help home, my 19th birthday (May 25th 1917) also found me working hard and still far from my goal. Of couse, I lack a High School training. Since at school I was regarded as a sort of artist by the teachers and schoolmates, and when I had save a about $20.00 I began to take Correspondence Lesson in "Art." I never

got very far, for I found out to be an artist, one must be properly trained. My failure, however never daunted me, and I set to work again to save again to get to New York and Study. My plan, so far has worked well and I intend to leave for the U.S by in June. Dear Sir, what do you think of this plan. I am going to look out for an answer, so please, Sir, give me some advice. I must close, While I remain

Yours Most faithfully
Hulbert C. Kirton

P. S.

I am send on a few preparation studies for you to pas your opinion

H. C. Kirton

March 12, 1918.

Mr. Hulbert C. Kirton,
8 Mundy Street,
Georgetown Dem., British Guiana.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words of February 20. I believe it is never too late to study but Art is a hard mistress.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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911 East 216th St.
New York Feb. 23rd 1918

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois

Dear Sir:

Congratulations and with them the hope that you will be spared for many years to your family and to those who need you to express so ably what they feel and others cannot do it or so feebly that their efforts are in vain.

Wishing you all success and happiness for the second half

Sincerely

Martinez G. Knowles

12/11/08

February 27, 1918.

Miss Martinez G. Knowles,
911 East 216 Street,
New York City.

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My dear Madam:

I thank you very much indeed for your kind words of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

EDITORIAL ROOMS OF

THE CRISIS

70 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

W. E. BURGHARDT DU BOIS

May 15, 1918.

Mr. S. Kumanmoto,
c/o Mrs. Hilgers,
535 West 147 Street,
New York City.

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My dear Sir:

Dr. Du Bois is out of town on a lecture trip, and will not return until early in June. If I can assist you in the mean time, I shall be happy to do so.

Very sincerely yours,

MGA/GRB.

(Miss) M. G. Allison,
Secretary.

c/o Mitsui & Co.,
65 Broadway.

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June 14, 1918.

Mr. S. Kumanmoto,
c/o Mrs. Hilgers,
535 West 147 Street,
New York City.

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My dear Sir:

I am very sorry that I was not in when you called. I shall be here the week of June 23, and would be glad to see you if you are still in town.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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SURGEON DENTIST
1318 WYLIE AVENUE
Pttsburgh Pa

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Dr. W. E. B. Dubois.

My Dear Sir: Admitting my tardiness due to the stress and strain of buisness, I am sending felicitations upon your "Anniversary of birth," because I want you to feel and know that there is yet another of the mighty human family whose soul has more than once been thrilled by the mighty brain of Dubois, and who is not only wishing but hoping that "The I Am" who governs Divinities and Destinies, will see fit to have many more such Anniversaries.

We live in an age when results, more than other things count, and, passing in memories review, the achievements of "American Negros" from time immemorial even down to the present time, all things being considered, I am not alone in placing the name of W. E. B. Dubois as the peer of them all.

Virtue is her own reward and were I small enough to even attempt to belittle the valiant heros who have died and some who live their lustre would not be dimmed.

For the same reason that Alexander, Caesar and Napoleon stand out pre-eminently in their day and time taking away none of the lustre of other great minds so it is today and of one man has ten talents and another two, it is not our human to question the giver but merely use what we have trusting that the Giver knows all about the laws governing proportion.

In this present titanic struggle the truth of the statement, The pen is mightier than the sword seems to be on trial but so long as the power of reason remains the pen will live long after the sword has returned to the component elements from which it was formed.

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Thomas Dixon believed in the theory and by a remarkable perversion of truth, together with a cunning worthy of a devil, backed up by a brain that had been trained for the occasion, he did more for the revivifying of a supposedly lost cause than Robt E. Lee and his host and as a crowning glory has succeeded, I am told, in having the greatest Outlaw as far as principle is concerned, placed in "American Hall of Fame". Benedict Arnold "How are a saint!"

Harriet Beecher Stowe realized it and succeeded in winning for black men a certain pity that enabled them to survive what might truly be called the Dark Ages in this land.

Pity however ultimately leads to contempt and scorn

and this was not an exception. The resultant however does not detract from the many virtues of that matchless woman whom I believe was prompted by those higher motives that prompt men and women to do good, but with men, results count and results we have to battle against.

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W. E. B. Dubois realized that the pen is mightier than the sword and transmitting from a wonderfully well trained mind to the pen, the many things that daily confront a people struggling against environment and teaching them, as only a far seeing mind can, how, when and what to do and in a manner that calls forth commendation even from the persecutor and with that purity of soul that leaves no doubt in the minds of the most caustic Critic has endeared the very existence of Dubois.

Your implacable, relentless and untiring efforts in bringing to light, to courts of justice, such cases as and prosecution of those who have ever blazed a "Via Dolorosa" over the debauched bodies of our best women and the dangling, inanimate forms of black men, and your uncompromising attitude to all forms of discriminatory legislation have placed you so far above that vast horde of "Harpies" who pose as leaders of men and who will sacrifice any body at any time for a mess, pot of porridge, that all well meaning men will join me when I say. We hope that the "Giver of Life" will see fit to leave many more such anniversaries. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has done more to bring to realize that unity means strength than all the secret societies since and before. Many will not have agree but results will tell as they are daily telling.

Your simple birth and rearing, combined with the many things that have ever proved to be the things that bring that finesse to a real mans life are to me a benediction and an inspiration. I am glad that there is such a man to whom I can thus felicitate and not blush to myself when I think of his past.

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Your personality and mighty brain have brought you into contact with those great minds of other races men and women, who are in position, and are doing much lasting good and for those things, I am thankful.

The Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph in today's issue the 15th has an article by Herbert Corey, title "American Troops are over charged by Paris Dealers" and in further comments he said. The American Soldier is the best behaved white man in uniform and I am asking the Managing Editor that, since the "Salt of the Earth Theory" as promulgated by the Germans is supposed to be the cause of the present chaotic condition does it not seem absurd to be uniting such things from the front even as we not you done, fight?

Hoping that the present generation of black men will not be robbed of one day of your life by any premature happening I Am

Most Sincerely Yours

A. Justian Tyler

February 21, 1918.

Mr. A. Justian Kyles,
1318 Wylie Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very deeply your kind letter of February 15 with your congratulations.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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February 21, 1918.

MEMORANDUM TO THE LABOR PARTY OF ENGLAND ON THE AMERICAN NEGRO

Speaking as a representative of twelve million Americans of Negro descent, and in some degree as a representative of the hundreds of millions of the Negro race throughout the world, I want to express to you, FIRST, my deep appreciation of the fact that you are beginning to remember that persons of Negro descent are part of humanity whose wishes and interests are to be considered with those of the masses of men the world over. I am especially gratified that you are considering or perhaps have already adopted a statement which is reported to us in the following form:

"With regard to the colonies of the several belligerents in tropical Africa from sea to sea,--the British Labor movement disclaims all sympathy with the Imperialist idea that these should form the booty of any nation, should be exploited from the profit of the capitalists, or should be used for the promotion of the millitarist aims of Governments. In view of the fact that it is impracticable here to leave the various peoples concerned to settle their own destines, it is suggested that the interests of humanity would be best served by the full and frank abandonment by all the belligerents of any dreams

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of an African empire; the transfer of the present colonies of the European Powers in tropical Africa, however, the limits of this area may be defined, to the proposed Super-National Authority, or League of Nations."

However, in one version of this statement which has reached America there is one unfortunate phrase, namely: That "no one ever expects Africa to rule itself." This is not only unfortunate but untrue. Twenty-five million persons of African descent in North and South America and the West Indies, added to a good many civilized Negroes in Africa not only expect but are determined that in time Africa shall be for the Africans and shall escape not only the domination and exploitation but the guardianship of white nations. I trust you will hasten to sympathize with this point of view.

SECONDLY, I wish to ask on your part wider cooperation with and deeper knowledge of the hard fight which Americans of Negro descent are making for recognition. We are overwhelmingly laborers, but a generation removed from slavery; our problems are the problems of white laborers the world over, and as long as we are an exploited class, white labor, which comes in competition with us, is going to be the more easily controlled. We regret to say that for the most part white labor organizations in the United States do not realize this and have

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systematically tried to exclude us from the labor movement. This is not only unwise, but suicidal and we trust that we may have your strong influence in convincing American laborers that the interest of black laborers are not antagonistic but one with the interest of labor the world over.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People would be glad to keep in close touch with the English Labor movement in the reconstruction following the war, and to work in conjunction with it for the great ends for which we both strive.

To Freedomways
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DR. L. B. LANDRY
422 NEWTON ST. PHONE ALGIERS 234
ALGIERS, LA.

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September 9, 1918.

Editor of The Crisis,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York.

Dear Sir:-

In reading The Crisis for September, I came across this from the Boston Post: If the German thinks the color line is drawn in our armies at the front, he is as muddle-headedly mistaken as usual.

And again this in reference to Rowan whom the New Orleans dailies made a hero of when he bucked the discipline of the U.S.Army,but whowas finally dismissed from the service: The justice of the action is plain. A man who at this time undertakes to discriminate against another because of his color,is unfit to wear the uniform of an American soldier much less to represent the government as an officer.

After reading these very interesting paragraphs I thought the enclosed letters would be of interest to you, as they must be to hundreds of Negro physicians who will be affected by the new 18 to 45 draft.

The Naval Reserve Force sent to the N.O. Medical & Surgical Society the enclosed circular requesting that the doctors make application to enter the Naval Reserve which is badly in need of doctors. We voted to ask further information as is suggested in the circular. Our secretary mentioned the fact that we are a colored organization and were willing to do what we could for Uncle Sam.

This is the reply we got:

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W.E.Weeks,M.D. Sec.,
N.O. M.& S. Society,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Your letter February 13th.

You are advised that the Medical circular urging the enrollment of members of the medical profession in the U.S Naval Reserve Force did not have reference to negro organizations.

Yours truly

(Signed) M.S.Hay.
Lieutenant, U.S.C.G.

This same treatment is being accorded us in the Army now,and there are fully a dozen medical men walking the streets of Louisiana because the government has given them commissions in the Army but has since decided not to use Negroes as doctors.

The question now is: What will the Government do with the thousands of Negro medical men who come under the 18 to 45 draft law? Will it enroll us as doctors or as laborers or will it exempt us? To me the question is very interesting.

Respt. L.B. Landry, M.D.

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502 T Street N. W.,
Washington, D. C.
February 22,1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear friend and Benefactor:

I congratulate you most heartily upon this the fiftieth anniversary of your birth. May the love and fervor which you have for the right and the vehemence with which you are struggling for oppressed humanity ever remain at its present high standard.

With all best wishes and the hope that your future years in the present incarnation may be more than double those of the immediate past, I remain as ever,

Yours very truly,

Chas. E. Lane

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February 28, 1918.

Mr. Charles E. Lane,
502 T Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Lane:

I thank you for your kind letter of February 22.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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502 T Street Northwest,
Washington, D. C.
August 17,1918.

Dr. W.E.B.DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Sir:

I have received your letter of the 13th instant in which you request my presence at a conference on cooperation to be held in your office August 26 and 27, and will be with you at the time and place stated if nothing happens to prevent it.

I wish I could arrange to talk with you for an hour or so before the conference but you will be too busy on Monday and I presume you would not care to talk about the matter on Sunday.

With kindest regards I am as ever,

Very truly yours,

Chas. E. Lane

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Cooperative Guild

502 T Street N. W.,
Washington, D. C.
October 21,1918.

Dr.W.E.B.Du Bois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

I received your latter of the 7th, with literature and directions, on the 18th and have read the literature as requested.

On my return from our New York conference I distributed my five sets of literature and requested the persons who received them to read them over and at an early date we would meet and discuss the cooperative store idea. But before we got started the influenza epidemic struck the city causing the schools and churches to be closed and a general cessation of all meetings including private assemblies. The fall opening of the Washington Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. has been posponed indefinitely.

I had planned to select at the first meeting of our branch a number of persons with whom to form a central study group, each member of which is to be "The Reader" of a sub-group formed at, or in the vicinity of, the home of such reader— made up of his or her friends, neighbors and associates. The sub-groups to meet one evening of each of the first, second and third weeks of each month, and the central group to meet on one regular evening of the fourth week of each month for the purpose of reading, discussing and handing in reports to be forwarded to the President of the National Guild at New York. This plan seems not to be out of harmony with yours and you must not think strange if the same runs somewhat parallel with your advice as you may remember something having been said about great minds etc.

I expect to start in on the plan herein outlined as soon as we can have a meeting. You may send me "Cooperation" by E.P.Harris for the enclosed money order. Will write you at length about church meetings later on. With kindest regards and all best wishes I am as ever,

Very truly yours,

Chas. E. Lane

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Talladega College,
Talladega, Ala.

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Feb. 19, 1918

Dear Dr. Du Bois, —

To you who are about to attain unto the half-century mark, greetings! Arrived at that goal a few weeks earlier than you, and can assure you that it is a good vantage from which to look back

In retrospect, I feel that the last fifteen years, or the time since I came South to work among the people of your race, have been the happiest and most satisfying years. Two years ago, a lawyer friend told me that living among colored people had made me much more tolerant and mellow than I would have been had I not had this experience. It is true, as Mr Frissell used to allow to say, that this work which means so much to those who enter it, is a great developer.

Among the most satisfying years were those spent at Atlanta University, where I knew you and Mrs. DuBois and Yolande. I have been especially privileged in knowing so many of the leaders of your people. I hope for you many years this side of the half century mark, wherein your influence may strengthen and quicken every good cause, and assist in bringing in that kingdom of righteousness and harmony, for which a war-sick world so yearns. Will you remember me

very cordially to Mrs. Du Bois and Yolande, who must be a "big girl" now.

Yours sincerely, and for many happy returns of your fiftieth birthday!

Mary E. Lane

March 5, 1918.

Miss Mary E. Lane,
Talladega College,
Talladega, Alabama.

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My dear Miss Lane:

I thank you very much for your kind words and good wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Wesley J. Langston
Glendale, Ohio

Feb. 18. 1918.

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
Editor of The Crisis
70 Fifth Ave.
New York.

SUBSCRIPTION

Dear Sir:-

FEB 20 1918

As a reader of The Crisis for the past seven years and an admirer of those principles which you so forcibly advocate for Justice and equality, I take this method of expressing my appreciation on your fiftieth birthday.

I pray God that you may be spared many years, to carry on the work to which your whole life has been devoted.

I heartily concur with Mr. Henry Downing in the thought that each reader of The Crisis should secure an additional subscriber, enclose you will find $2.00 one for my own subscription and the other for a white lady friend, that I have secured as a subscriber, whose name and address is Mrs. Marie Vine, 4902 Main ave. Norwood Ohio

Sincerely yours,
W.J. Langston
Glendale, O.

February 26, 1918.

Mr. Wesley J. Langston,
Glendale, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Langston:

May I thank you for your letter of February 18 and the subscriptions?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Pour The Crisis,
Ci-joint un nouveau document
concernant la date de
la Création du Drapeau Haitien.

The Crisis
70 Fifth Avenue.
New York

Friends

Dr Clément Lanier 1918?

Monsieur,

Mon adresse n'est nullement Docteur.
Mais bien Docteur Clément Lanier. Veuillez rectifier pour moi et recevez l'assurance de ma haute
Saint-Marc.
considération.

Dr Clément Lanier

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LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS.

This is a fac-simile of the Tablet adopted by the War Department, in pursuance of the Act of Congress ordering the erection of Tablets bearing Lincoln's Gettysburg Address in all National Cemeteries and Military Parks.

THIS SPACE FOR CORRESPONDENCE.

2/23/18 Wilmington, Del.
761 Louisa St.,

Earnestly wishing
you many more
happy returns of
the day. Sincerely
Marie D. Laabs

THIS SPACE FOR ADDRESS.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue.
New York,
N. Y.

ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT LINCOLN

AT THE DEDICATION OF

THE GETTYSBURG NATIONAL CEMETERY

NOVEMBER 19, 1863.

FOUR SCORE AND SEVEN YEARS AGO OUR FATHERS BROUGHT FORTH ON THIS CONTINENT, A NEW NATION, CONCEIVED IN LIBERTY, AND DEDICATED TO THE PROPOSITION THAT ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL.

NOW WE ARE ENGAGED IN A GREAT CIVIL WAR, TESTING WHETHER THAT NATION, OR ANY NATION SO CONCEIVED AND SO DEDICATED, CAN LONG ENDURE. WE ARE MET ON A GREAT BATTLE-FIELD OF THAT WAR. WE HAVE COME TO DEDICATE A PORTION OF THAT FIELD, AS A FINAL RESTING PLACE FOR THOSE WHO HERE GAVE THEIR LIVES THAT THAT NATION MIGHT LIVE. IT IS ALTOGETHER FITTING AND PROPER THAT WE SHOULD DO THIS.

BUT, IN A LARGER SENSE, WE CAN NOT DEDICATE—WE CAN NOT CONSECRATE—WE CAN NOT HALLOW—THIS GROUND. THE BRAVE MEN, LIVING AND DEAD—WHO STRUGGLED HERE, HAVE CONSECRATED IT, FAR ABOVE OUR POOR POWER TO ADD OR DETRACT.

THE WORLD WILL LITTLE NOTE, NOR LONG REMEMBER WHAT WE SAY HERE, BUT IT CAN NEVER FORGET WHAT THEY DID HERE. IT IS FOR US THE LIVING, RATHER, TO BE DEDICATED HERE TO THE UNFINISHED WORK WHICH THEY WHO FOUGHT HERE HAVE THUS FAR SO NOBLY ADVANCED. IT IS RATHER FOR US TO BE HERE DEDICATED TO THE GREAT TASK REMAINING BEFORE US—THAT FROM THESE HONORED DEAD WE TAKE INCREASED DEVOTION TO THAT CAUSE FOR WHICH THEY GAVE THE LAST FULL MEASURE OF DEVOTION—THAT WE HERE HIGHLY RESOLVE THAT THESE DEAD SHALL NOT HAVE DIED IN VAIN—THAT THIS NATION, UNDER GOD, SHALL HAVE A NEW BIRTH OF FREEDOM—AND THAT GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE, SHALL NOT PERISH FROM THE EARTH.

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February 27, 1918.

Miss Marie I. Laws,
709 Locust Street,
Wilmington, Delaware.

Dear Madam:

I thank you for your kind words of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

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The Philadelphia Association for the Protection of Colored Women

Office and Home: 1506 CATHARINE STREET

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February 25th. 1918.

Dr. W. E. DuBois,
New York City, N. Y.

"Dauntless and Honored Pagan":-

Accept my congratulation on your arrival at the half century mile stone -- may there be many more and riper years of usefulness to us in your own made and own selected heroic career before you become "an ancient man and hoary white with eld."

Why not use your Birthday as the occasion for a special fund for the work? I am sending in the same mail a copy of the Jamaica Daily Gleaner which gives information of the election to a seat in the City Council of Jamaica of our mutual friend, Dr. D. J. Phillips.

Very truly,

S. W. Layten

SWL/W.

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March 1, 1918.

Mrs. S. W. Layton,
1506 Catharine Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Madam:

Thank you for your kind words.

I have not yet received the Daily Gleaner with the notice of Doctor Phillips.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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"For as the light not only serves to show, but Render us mutually profitable; so our lives in Acts exemplary, not only win ourselves good Names, but do to others give matter for virtuous Deeds, by which we live."

CHAPMAN.

To DR. W. E. DU BOIS

From R. H. AMPHLETT LEADER

Recommendation

July 5, 1918.

Mr. H. B. Learned,
2123 Bancroft Place,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Learned:

I understand that Mrs. Georgia D. Johnson is applying for the position of librarian in public schools.

I have known Mrs. Johnson for a number of years and regard her as a woman of great ability in literary lines. I think she would serve the schools well as librarian, and I hope she may receive the appointment.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois

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October 20th.

The Sevcretary,
N.A. A. C. P.
Severnty fifth Avenue, New York City, N. Y.

Daear Sir:-

---I shall be obliged if you will be good enough to send me some information regarding the movement towards co opera ion on the Rochdale plan among colored people in America.

I am a native of Lancashire, and have been faᵐiliar with the co operative Movement most of my life

Before I heard y u were interested in it, I had mentioned it to ano number of my colored friends and got them interested too.

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I shall be obliged to you if you will also send particulars of the movement to ᴹr. William Jason 751. Kennedy Street, ₘeadville, Pa.

Thanking you in anticipation,
Yours sincerely,

William H Lewis

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Oct. 31, 1918

Mr. William H. Lead
Straight College
2420 Canal Street
New Orleans, La.

My dear Sir:

I am sending you a statement concerning the Movement for Consumers Cooperation in America.

I am also writing to Mr. William Jason.

I am glad to know of your interest.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CF

FEB 26 1918

--- SEBASTIAN LEFFEE ---

The Vocational School
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ST. THOMAS, V.I.U.S.A.

February 18, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,

Editor "The Crisis",

70 Fifth Ave., New York.

Dear Sir:

A more fitting occasion can hardly present itself to me than this -- your fiftieth birthday -- which allows me the high honour of sending to you a verbal expression of the load of admiration for, appreciation of, and unfeigned confidence in you which, through your dignified, unwearied, unselfish and conscientious labors for the advancement of our race, has been entertained in my inmost soul.

In advocating high moral and intellectual culture as an indispensable factor in the uplift of the negro, you have, with comparatively few exceptions, stood alone, having held grounds the very opposite of those maintained by other great leaders of the race. Notwithstanding, your incessant and far-reaching activities have not fallen short of their purpose. They have been most potent in bringing men face to face with the clear truth that while the industrial and agricultural development of the negro is a sure means of securing to him some recognition as a skilled worker, this condition alone has failed to place him in that position wherein he can command and whenever necessary effectually demand due consideration for himself not as an essential trained servant of the white man, relying on this latter for moral and intellectual guidance, but as an equally-fundamental agent in the evolution of the highest type of civilized life.

To you belongs, hence, the credit of having awakened our people to the imperious necessity of supporting moral and intellectual independence as the absolutely-expedient counterpart of industrial and agricultural self-reliance in the betterment of the negro race.

You have now arrived at that stage in your existence in which fortified as you are, with so vast an accumulation of varied experiences, you shall have unfolded from within you that mature wisdom and certain foresight which can come from only the cultivation of the positive latent soul-purifying faculties in human nature. Through this and the enviable attainments characterized in your benevolent undertakings shall there emanate from you that power before which all outward circumstances of whatever nature, shall bow.

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Encouraged and animated by both the results of your enterprises, which bring you the conviction that you have faithfully met your obligations and responsibilities, and the opportunity for further progress now before us, may you be still moved by that ample store of useful energy, never remitting your fervor, never, until the last breath is, recoiling from any task however hazardous or discouraging, providing it lies in your path of duty. May you not only be spared to witness larger and much more desirable outcomes of your labors, but may you with each succeeding return of this twenty-third day of February, be brought nearer and nearer to that goal the path of which is the upward and onward, and which can never be fully realized on this side of eternity.

That you are most adequately fitted for the arduous tasks yet ahead of you, has been convincingly demonstrated in the stupendous work you have hitherto accomplished. That needed effective strength and co-allies shall not be with held from you is infallibly assured in the working of the inevitable ever - present universal law (All the forces in the universe subserve his needs and wants whose soul is in harmony with Nature's Soul -- the Over-Soul). And that your cause -- devotion to the task of promoting the moral and intellectual independence of our race shall not, even in this newly-annexed section of our Great Commonwealth, go without full espousal is the sincere prayer, and earnest determination of

Yours very truly and respectfully,

Sebastien Lefféé

2/14/26

March 7, 1918.

Mr. Sebastien Leffee,
The Vocational School,
St. Thomas, V. I., U. S. A.

My dear Sir:

Thank you for your kind letter on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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August 7, 1918.

Mr. J. Garfield Lemon,
Attorney at Law,
Savannah, Ga.

My dear Mr. Lemon:

I am going to hold in THE CRISIS office August 26 and 27 a conference on cooperation. I wish very much you could be present. Is it possible for you to come?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Cooperative Guild

October 2, 1918.

Mr. J. G. Lemon
Savannah, Ga.

My dear Mr. Lemon :

I should like to have you interested in our new Negro Co-operation Guild. I am sending you some literature and a circular letter which I have sent out to Secretaries. Kindly read and let me hear from you.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GH

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Send Cooperation let.

J. GARFIELD LEMON
ATTORNEY AT LAW
SAVANNAH, GA.

November 18, 1918.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I am enclosing check for $1.60 for a copy of F.P. Harris' "Cooperation".

My interest in the movement has increased lately because I have found a group of people, with money, near Savannah, undertaking to put the principles into effect.

Let me hear from you.

Respectfully,

J. G. Lemon

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Greeting

This is a wonderful pleasure to attempt to Congratilate you on your 50th Anniversary. altho I regret that I am not able to express my good thoughts for your so marvellous achievements And you yet a young man, may your Remaining days be bright and prosperous And all your efforts Crowned with success while the effect of your dashing pen be felt thruout the world for the rights of Man (Negro) please accept the Contents as my very best from 7 months schooling in life.

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Respt yours

C.M. Leonard

Crisis Agent from 2/ /1911

February 15, 1918.

Woodburn Apts., Walnut Hills

Mr. C. M. Leonard,
Humbold & Woodburn Avenues,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words of February 13.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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1776 W. 35th Street,
Los Angeles, Cal., 12/4/18

The Crisis:

I am interested in ~~the~~ Co-operation, please send me The Negro Co-operative Guide.

Very respectfully,
E. V. Leonard

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LES SILENTS DOUZE

A. D. POWELL, BUSINESS MANAGER
3330 SO. PARK AVENUE
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March 13, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

2/16/81

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

We the members of the Les Silents Douze Club have voted unamiously that you become an honorary member of our club.

This club is composed of twelve young high school men, who are trying to get in touch with the leading men of our race. Further particulars will be given you on request.

We would appreciate an early reply very much.

Sincerely yours,

C. B. Tondee-Sec.

~~E. F.~~
(Slip sent)

[CES SILENTS DOUZE]

April 15, 1918.

Mr. C. B. Tondee,
3330 S. Park Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your letter of March 13, and beg to say that I shall be glad to become an honorary member of your club.

Very sincerely yours,

WHED/GRB.

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Mrs Hattie B. Lee
P.O. Box 722

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Feb. 20th 1918.

50 Yrs

Dear Cousin.

I am going to accept your invitation to send a word on your Birthday. I think it was the first time that I knew when it was. you have my hearty and sincere congratulation on the event.

The Picture on the Crisis, is very well, but I would enjoy a Photograph better, if I had one.

How are you now. I hope

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you are as well as before your Illness.
How is Mrs Dubois, and daughter where are they now.
I wish we might have a chance to meet before we leave this world.
if they are in this country next Summer, why could you not all come and see me. I would try and make it pleasant for you, although not quite as stylish as they are use to.
Dr. Lew, and I look for the Crisis every Month with Pleasure. and read every word

I was very much interested in The Shadow of yours, but- I did not- really like your discription of your Mother. I remember when she came to visit- Father, and I always though she had a very sweet face. ~~and~~ you used the wrong word in saying heavy, How scold. I am in Amherst and you in New York. I sit. this war something awful I wonder if you feel the Pressure as much in New York as here in these small towns. we have to save heat- and food. they have closed Schools and some

stores. on account of the shortage of coal.
I have been to five militant Suffrage. and while I slave, and very little meat- I perhaps I will soon be able to hire an waiting.
Dr Low. is well and sends his best regards. also Miss. Bransby;
Now will you please find time. to answer this letter if not-, I will never write you again.
and I know you would miss that- very much.
I will stop all Nonsense. and say. many many. more happy and successful years for you is my wish. With love.

March 5, 1918.

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Dear Cousin:

I thank you very much for your kind words on my birthday.

I am going to try and come to see you this summer and if possible I shall bring the family. With best regards to you and your husband,

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Mrs. Mattie B. Lew,
P. O. Box 722,

March 5, 1918.

Mrs. Mattie B. Low,
P. O. Box 722,

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Rosa R. Lewis
132 Sylvan ave.
Asbury Park N.J.

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Feb. 23rd. 1918

50 Yrs

Mr. E.B. Dubois Editor

Dear Mr. Dubois-

We wish to Congratulate you on your Fifieth birthday and that you may see just as menny more I have been a reader of the Crisis for more then two years I injoyed it so I thought I would like to have a Copy in every Home

just recently took up the work have not been able to much But books for success

yours in the work
Rosa Lewis

2/14/20

March 7, 1918.

Mrs. Rosa R. Lewis,
182 Sylvan Avenue,
Asbury Park, N. J.

Dear Madam:

Thank you for your congratulations on the occasion of my fiftieth birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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[LIFE EXTENSION INSTITUTE?]

CAUTION.

Practically all individuals examined by the Institute show a number of defects, impairments, or errors in living habits, common to the average individual. The perfect man or woman does not exist.

We conceive it to be our duty to report all defects, stating when medical attention seems necessary. Even when a long list of impairments or disturbances in the workings of the body is reported, some needing medical attention, others merely correction of living habits, diet or exercise, the individual may still be an average type and even acceptable for life insurance, though much below his attainable condition of health, vigor, and efficiency. Most of those we examine are well, in the sense of being free from established illness, and capable of passing an ordinary medical examination.

The Institute is looking far ahead into your future. It endeavors to give you the advantage of knowledge of the slightest fault in your condition or your manner of living, the correction of which could improve your vitality and lengthen your life.

Do not view with alarm, therefore, the list of your deficiencies, but rather with satisfaction the opportunity offered of improving your condition. Any good, up-to-date physician who carefully studies your condition, not with reference to finding definite disease, but with reference to putting you into the pink of condition, can easily find some way in which to improve your condition however healthy you may be, judged by ordinary standards.

Many conditions that we report, such as slight arterial changes, blood pressure changes, urinary changes, traces of albumin, etc., are in no sense diseases, but merely reflections of the influence of our civilized mode of life and they should occasion no concern other than to stimulate you to live hygienically, and to have your handicaps, whatever they may be - errors in diet or exercise, infections, physical defects, functional disturbances, etc. - removed. Be careful to study the Keep Well Leaflets furnished you and you will not misunderstand the terms of your report. Look forward and upward to better health conditions and take no discouraging suggestions from the fact that you are not perfect. Note the many regions of your body found free from impairments as well as those impaired. Take courage from your strong points and a sane warning from your weak ones. To give those examined an idea of the class in which they fall, we have adopted the following system of ratings:

AA--Perfect examination--no physical defects or errors in living habits (equivalent to 100% in school or college marks).

A--Minor physical defect or error in living habits (equivalent to 90% in school or college marks).

B--Conditions common to the average individual (analogous to 70% to 90% in school or college marks). Many of the conditions require medical attention; others correction of living habits.

C--Conditions either now lowering the general health or menacing the general health by their continued presence. Medical attention or observation advisable but not necessarily immediately imperative (equivalent to 50% to 70% in school or college marks).

D--Conditions demanding immediate medical attention or supervision. When neglected, may have serious consequences.

E--Conditions of serious, advanced and menacing disease, requiring hospital or home treatment and immediate abandonment of work.

Many cases rated B, C, D or even E, may of course be promoted to Rating A after treatment by a physician or following out hygienic directions.

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MAR 2 1918

51 yrs

Dear Mr. DuBois 19

Congratulations on your birthday. I was in today to renew subscription to "The Crisis" and join the N. A. C. P.

Perhaps you would like to know that there was an article concerning our people in the "Chronicle" – highbrow magazine, subscription to which is $12.00 a year and by invitation only. Not on the news-stands, but can be seen at the Public Library at 5th Avenue and 42nd St.

"The New Pacific" is a book by Hubert H. Bancroft, and the chapter entitled "Race Problems" might interest you. Don't know where you can get it. I glanced over a copy while "browsing" around in Gimbel's store.

Best regards from Donald Lightbody

2/24/19

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Lincoln Hospital and Home
Training School for Nurses
East 141st Street and Southern Boulevard

New York, May 31, 1918

My dear Mrs. Goode:

I am returning the letter as you requested. My Assistant will call upon you this morning and go over the whole matter with you personally.

Thank you so much for your interest in this matter.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Adah B. Thomas, R. N.

Acting Superintendent of Nurses.

Livingstone Commencement

Anniversary Exercises

OF THE

Hood And Garrison Literary Societies

HELD AT THE

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Wednesday evening May 22, 1918 at Eight o'clock

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PROGRAMME

Invocation,	
Remarks by the Master of Ceremonies	L. B. Moorer
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Composition, "Woman in the Literary Societies"	Pattie Garrett
Chorus, "Listen to the Lambs" NATHANIEL DETT,	Choral Union
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Solo,	Ozella Barnaby

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Resolved that:—The United States should Adopt Compulsory Universal Military Training for Males Between the Ages 13—21.

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Address, Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois, Editor of the Crisis, New York City

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124 SOUTH ELEVENTH ST.

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SPRINGFIELD, ILL., APR 19 1918

Mr. H.H. Long,
Springfield, Ill.

Dear Sir;

Plans have been approved here by the members of our Co-operative Educational Council Board, Governor Frank O. Lowden and a CENTENNIAL CO-OPERATIVE COMMITTEE of 100, for a CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL CONGRESS to be held in Lincoln's home city, Sept. 22-23-24, 1918.

Some of the most prominent representatives of both races will be invited to meet and discuss methods for bringing the Race Problem in all of its phases, into a WORKING RELATIONSHIP with powerful men and movements of the country with a view to ultimately working out a fitting solution of the same.

As this is Illinois Centennial year, with the state celebrating the event in the capitol city, it is thought that some consideration of the subject which most particularly characterized the greatest act of the greatest citizen the state ever had, would at least be in keeping with the spirit of the Centennial.

I AM REQUESTED TO INVITE YOU TO SERVE ON A CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE AND PARTICIPATE IN ARRANGING FOR SPRINGFIELD'S PART IN THE CONGRESS.

Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience on the subject so that there may be no delay in making up the various committees.

Yours very truly,

Z. W. Mitchell

Executive Secretary

Shall We Have DEMOCRACY At Home Through Mutual Understanding?

Centennial Co-operative Educational Congress

Springfield, Illinois, September 22, 23, 24

210½ South Fifth Street

Springfield, Ill., May 1, 1918

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One member to be selected from each Fraternal Order.

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(To be selected)

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Mr. Hardin Long,
Springfield, Ill.

Dear Sir;

You are hereby notified of a special meeting of the Centennial Executive Committee to be held in the office of Dr. C. R. Parker, 210 1/2 So. 5th St., this (Thursday) evening, May 2, at 8 P.M.

It is urged that you make every possible effort to attend this meeting as time is growing short and there is much to be accomplished in the way of planning future steps.

In case you find it inconvenient to attend this meeting please notify the secretary to that effect.

Very respectfully,

J. Harold White

for Secretary.

The Proposed Co-operative Educational Congress has been approved by the Co-operative Educational Board of the Loyal Legion Co-operative Educational System, Governor Frank O. Lowden and a Co-operative Centennial Committee composed of 100 of Springfield's most prominent and influential business men and a Centennial Committee of 100 of Springfield's most Prominent Colored Citizens.

GOVERNOR LOWDEN'S ENDORSEMENT.

State of Illinois,
Office of The Governor,
Springfield.

March 7, 1918

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

I have been much interested in your plans for a cooperative educational Congress, to be held here September 22-23-24, 1918. I heartily approve of this movement, and shall be very glad to do what I can to help make it a success.

Sincerely yours,

Frank O. Lowden

Mr. Z. W. Mitchell,
Executive Secretary,
Cooperative Educational Council Board,
124 South Eleventh Street,
Springfield, Illinois

Many favorable replies are being received from prominent men of both races, representing some of the most important organizations of America.

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Dr. Dubois,
New York.

Dear Sir:

I am sending you congratulations, this your ~~Fifteenth~~ Birth Day (Feb. 23, 1918) Anniversary.

May you live long and see a greater fruition of your ~~inestimable~~ works.

Best wishes for continued success of the "Crisis."

Yours, Thos. A. Long
Dept Language and Music.

February 27, 1918.

Mrs. Thomas A. Long,
Biddle University,
Charlotte, N. C.

My dear Sir:

May I thank you for your kind words concerning THE CRISIS and for your congratulations on my fiftieth birthday?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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"PAIS MES BREBIS" JEAN. 21:16

REV S. E. CHURCHSTONE LORD, B. D., PASTEUR.

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EGLISE ST. PAUL AFRICAINE METHODISTE :-: EPISCOPALE

(AU COIN DE RUE D'ENNERY ET PLACE STE. ANNE)

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI

February 25, 1918. 19

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Dr. E. W. B. DuBois,
Editor, The "Crisis",
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, New York, U. S. A.

My Dear Dr. DuBois:

I congratulate you on this your birthday. I join with others in the wish for your continued health because of the very meritorious services you are rendering the race and the Nation through the "Crisis"--our race's valuable Journal--and the National Association for the Advancement of the Colored People.

I do think that with a few added features the "Crisis" will compare favorably with the "Ladies' Home Journal", and its usefulness to the race will be greatly increased. The "Crisis" is a fixity.

Praying God's rich blessing upon you in all your noble undertakings,

I am,

Your brother in Christ,

S. Churchstone Lord

2/24/27

MAR 15 1918

P. S. - Enclosed please find check for $1.75 being amount for the renewal of subscription to the "Crisis" and the "A. M. E. Review", to be addressed to the Hon. E. Dorneval, Ancien Senateur, Bois, Verna, Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

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To Miss S. please

March 19, 1918.

Rev. S. H. Churchstone Lord,
c/o Eglise St. Paul Africaine
Methodiste Episcopale,
Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind congratulations on the occasion of my fiftieth birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WHEB/GRB.

50 yrs

JOSEPH PRINCE LOUD
85 WATER STREET
BOSTON, MASS.

FEB 16 1918

Mr. John R. Shillady,
Secretary, Dinner Committee,
70 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear Mr. Shillady:-

I regret exceedingly that it will not be possible for me, on account of a previous engagement, to be present at the dinner in honor of Dr. DuBois, on the occasion of his fiftieth birthday anniversary.

Dr. DuBois' uncompromising stand for justice has been a potent factor in the fight for the rights of the Negro race, and in passing this milestone in his career, he is especially to be congratulated for the remarkable attainment of "The Crisis", of which he is the organizer and editor.

With best wishes to him for long years of useful influence and to the success of the dinner.

Very sincerely yours,

Joseph P. Loud

February 15, 1918.

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214 Maple St.
Detroit Mich.
2/22/18.

Dr. Du Bois.

This will inform you that I read the short account of your life as given in the Feb. Crisis. It was much interesting to me. You have quite an experience. Such is the life of a true person. Accept greetings though it is late. I wish you will live for fifty years more; at least to a very good old age. Dr. Du Bois I am a child of the Island negro. It has become my lot to see the awful condition of the race to which I belong. It is more so owing to my soul to see that my people are under a terrible darkness in regards to their future especially the children of the slaves

2/14/435

I would like to help my people in the way of instruction but I am unable to pay my passage to the different places wherein I may reach them nor am I able to pay the press for the many things I have to say. There are some magazines that pay for articles but sir if you will allow me a space in your magazine I shall endeavour to help my people through into pages for. like Jeremiah the prophet I am weeping day and night. Please say if you will accept Articles. I remain yours great in

Ancicty,

James N. Lowe.

March 6, 1918.

Mr. James H. Lowe,
24 Maple Street,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind letter of February 22.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

W. J. LUCAS, A. B., PASTOR
79 THAMES STREET
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J. W. CLARKE, CHURCH CLERK
30 BATH ROAD

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MOUNT OLIVET BAPTIST CHURCH

THAMES STREET, NEAR MARLBOROUGH

NEWPORT, R. I., Feb. 20, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New Yory, N. Y.
Dear Sir:

Allow me to congratulate you on your having arrived at your fiftieth birthday, without, as we say, "Any visible mark of divine displeasure upon you."

Had you done nothing more during these years than given to the world "THE SOULS OF THE BLACK FOLK" and "THE CRISIS", you would still be a blessing to mankind.

My life has been much richer because of inspiration derived from your works and teaching.

I commend you to every Negro of ambition, who would profit by the setting forth of correct ideals for this race of ours.

May Almighty God prosper the remainder of your life.

Yours truly,

W. J. Lucas

2/4/27

February 27, 1918.

Mr. W. J. Lucas,
79 Thames Street,
Newport, R. I.

My dear Sir:

May I thank you for your kind letter of February 20?

Very sincerely yours,

WKDD/GRB.

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4352. Forestville Avenue.

Chicago, Illinois. 304 pm

February 18th, 1918.

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Dear Dr Du Bois:

Accept my sincere congratulations and best wishes upon the completion of the 50th year of your useful and eventful life.

I hope that many more years are ahead of you and, judging the future by the past, I am sure that, whether they be many or few, they will be unselfishly

devoted to the cause of
humanity and justice.

Very cordially yours,

John R Lynch

March 6, 1918.

Mr. John R. Lynch,
4352 Forestville Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind words on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Washington, D. C.

Jan 22 1918

Dr W. E. B. Du Bois
Editor of The Crisis.
Dear Sir:— It is a supreme pleasure to be able to say sincerely that your fifty years, representing scholarship and an unselfish fight for justice, absolute and universal, have been an inspiration and benediction to millions.

I sincerely hope that the criticism we hear will but strengthen you for the fight and make us all more earnest and loyal.

Sincerely Yours
Walter Dyson

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January 24, 1918.

Mr. Walter Lyson,
Howard University,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Lyson:

I thank you very much for your kind letter of January 22.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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1522 WYLIE AVENUE

PITTSBURGH, PA.

2/27/18

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois,

70 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Mr. DuBois:

With announcement of the return of your natal day I note that you mark ~~in quotations~~ "the line of march" for our AMerican Negro into the United States Congress. If there was no other article written--in the February Number of the "Crisis" the suggestion--the advice--is of such importance to our well-being that we all should join in one loud shout of praise--and continual prayer that you might live fifty returns of the day that brought us a W. E. B. DuBois, in the shadow of two great hills.

Please accept my best wishes for you, a smooth, tranquil journey, through the years to come, and that you ever remain optimistic and vigorous in faith with a hope to light your pathway on to the sun-clad hills of achievement in your every undertaking for good in the fifty ~~yours~~ years next to come.

Sincerely, your friend,

John R. McBeth

March 7, 1918.

Mr. John R. McBeth,
1522 Wylie Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Mr. McBeth:

I appreciate your good wishes on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

250 W. Chestnut St. Louisville Ky. 50 Yrs

Feb. 21, 1918

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My Dear Dr Boise -

This is a word of congratulation along with many others that will come to you in the celebration of your 50th anniversary. Your autobiography in the Feb. Crisis was as interesting as any thing I ever read of Yours. It gave me glimpses of the boy Dr Boise I had not seen before and brought to mind the 18 year old boy I saw the day you came to Fisk. You remember the day but I do not suppose you remember that it was I who came and took you over to Jubilee Hall for dinner and what you said to me about the dinner. I remember that because the comment was unusual. You praised the dinner and asked me if the meals usually were as good as that. I came and took you over as I had done for many a new boy before you and because I remembered the shrinking I had the first day I came - I started to the dining room with the crowd - got to the door but could go no further - I went back to my room and starved it out. In those first few days a few of the older students came to me with the kindly word for the stranger

and it meant so much to me I have
forgot the strangers who came afterwards.
That was a good day for us
and for you when you came to Fisk.
You would have done well your life's work
had you gone elsewhere - but the boyhood
environment at Great Barrington
the Fisk environment -
the Harvard & Germany - made this what
Du Bois we have - All lives I believe are
a part of a great plan of Providence -
some lives are special, raised up over against
a certain day. I believe yours was. - So was
Booker T.'s He needed you both - Yours, as
far as it is yours alone, is the harder - less
accepted by the white race but immensely more
significant - and wide reaching. You do not talk
much about God's leading - I do not think He is greatly
concerned whether you regard yourself as a chosen
agent of His or not, so long as you do your work well.
He will go on using you as far as he can till
the end - So there is to you my felicitations
and congratulations for your fifty years of
life and the best wishes for as many more
as it may be best for you to have -

Your sincere friend and fellow alumnus
D. W. McClellan

2/27 18-64

March 4, 1918.

Mr. G. M. McClellan,
920 Chestnut Street,
Louisville, Kentucky.

My dear Mr. McClellan:

I remember very well your kindness to me when I first came to Fisk. It did much to make me feel at home. I thank you now for your kind words.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

[MARY McCRORY]

FEB 25 1918

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Feb. 20th, 1918.

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,

70 Fifth Ave.,

New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Nobody wishes you joy and happiness more than I who, when I was "Miss Jackson", had the pleasure now and then of doing just a little something to show my appreciation of my friend, Dr. DuBois. I am sorry that you do not include Charlotte in your "line of operation". The people here admire you and want to know you.

The fact that I know you personally and that I could contribute just a little bit to the success of your visits to Augusta when I was there a co-laborer with Miss Laney is to me a pleasure and a privilege.

The blessed change which has come into my life has separated me

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from some whose friendship and association were dear to me there, but in spirit there is no separation and they are dear to me still.

I am hoping that some day, whenever you say, I may have the privilege of helping to make the way for ~~you~~ the people of Charlotte to come in touch with your great life, to know you and to love you as the people of Augusta do. The people here want to know you. I am looking forward to that day. You will be our guest in our home.

The fifty years of your life are a veritable benediction to our race, and one of the sweetest joys to those of us who know you personally.

God bless you and give you strength and courage and heart and joy for many, many more years of service.

Your sincere friend, Mary E. Jackson McCrorey
(Mrs. H. L.)

[MARY M. CRORE[illegible]]

2/27/17

March 5, 1918.

Mrs. H. L. McCrorey,
Biddle University,
Charlotte, N. C.

My dear Mrs. McCrorey:

I have your kind letter and appreciate it.

I am still unable to conceive of you as married, but the letter sounds as though you are having a good time. I am coming to Charlotte one of these good days.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/ORB.

THE FEDERAL COUNCIL
OF THE
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OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY
105 EAST TWENTY-SECOND STREET
NEW YORK

February
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Dr. Charles S. Macfarland regrets that other imperative engagements prevent him from being present at a dinner to be given on the occasion of the Fiftieth Birthday Anniversary of William E. Burghardt Du Bois at the City Club on Monday February 25th. Dr. Macfarland wishes to convey his good wishes for the occasion.

2/24/92

J. M. McINHAM
DENTIST
LEXINGTON, KY.

504ps

February 21, 1918.

FEB 25 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
New York City.

Dear Doctor:

Mary and I join with the many in congratulating you on the fiftieth anniversary of your birth. The Race has much for which to feel thankful in your birth in that you have been as true to your trust—as the leader of a much abused people—as is a magnetic needle to its course. You have allowed nothing for a moment—whether it come in the form of flattering praise, or self aggrandizement, or high handed intimidation—to turn you from your righteous course. Let God be praised.

We have dearest memories of our association with you in the past as teacher and students. Sorely traceable to such relationship we are succeeding and are happy. You are yet young and we are hoping that you may live long to enjoy life with your family and friends and continue to be the trustworthy, capable leader that you are.

Regards to your family.

Yours truly,
J. M. and Mary E. McInham

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March 2, 1918.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McInham,
Lexington, Kentucky.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. McInham:

Thank you very much for your kind words.

Very sincerely yours,

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The Director of Research + Publication
The Crisis, #70 Fifth Ave N. Y. City

Sir:

I might be of assistance in contributing a page to the history of our race, that you have been commissioned to write.

My field of operation is China, Japan and the Philippines. My war service being completed, I expect to return to the Orient not later than March 1st 1919. I am positive of finding, great services performed to help this country in its fight for Democracy, rendered by men of our race.

I have been asked to serve as Chairman of the "County activities in the State Council of Defense of California" committee, in connection with the State Council of Defense Historical association, who have named a colored division. This history pertains only to the State of California.

If there is any way in which I can be of assistance kindly advise me.

Respectfully yours
Capt T. Nimrod McKinney
Watts Cal.

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LOS ANGELES, CAL. _____ 19___

War Depertment.

Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army.
Washington.

February I8, I9I8.

T.Nimrod McKinney,
Post Office Box II22,
Los Angeles Calif.

2/15/18

Dear Sir:

Receipt of your letter of February 6th is acknowledged. Your examination papers show that you are qualifief for general duties only in the Quartermaster Corps and that you do not possess any technical or special qualifications.
All of the commissioned grade required in connection with general duties are in the service. In fact, we have more commissioned officers possessing general qualifications than we are actually in need of. Commissions are now being issued only to those possessing special or technical qualifications for duty with technical or special units. Your papers are on file in this office and will be given due consideration in the event that additional quartermasters possessing general qualifications only are required.

By authority of the acting Quartermaster General:
SGD GEAS F.DALZ
LT COL., Q.M.CORPS

CPD/GGL
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T. N McKinney

Note:
This letter received after communications informing of "adverse decisions"

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COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENSE
Washington

LOS ANGELES, CAL. 19

Woman's Committee
1814 N Street NW

March 29, 1918.

Captain T.Nimrod McKinney,

P.O.B. 1122,

Los Angeles, California.

My Dear Captain McKinney:

I should be very glad, if you would do, in what ever way to you seems best and easiest, some educational propaganda work, in the Philippines or any where else that you may happen to be.
We need speakers, and we particularly need people who are well informed about the real purposes of this war, to speak and talk in whatever places they can find to carry the message on war topics.
I will send a copy of the letter to the State Councils section of the council of National Defense here in Washington, and perhaps they can say more to you about these matters than I have.
Whether you hear from them or not, please do all you can to educate the people everywhere about all sides of this war, particularly about our reasons for being in it and the consequences for us if we win or if we lose. If you want literature to help you in public speeches, I can send that to you.

Wishing you all success, I am
Very sincerely yours,

SGD MARNTRA EVANS MARTIN
Executive Chairman,
Department of Educational Propaganda

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T. N. McKinney

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I accepted the above opportunity - and rendered service untill may 1919.

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HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPINE DEPARTMENT

Manila, P. I., May 26, 1917, 191

From: Assistant to Department Aujutant.

To: Mr. T. M. McKinney, Room 1, De La Rama Building, Santa Cruz, Manila.

Subject: Authority to appear for examination for Officers' Reserve Corps.

2/11/33

1. The Department Commander authorizes you to appear before the Board of Officers appointed per paragraph 5, Special Orders No. 115, Headquarters Philippine Department, 191 7, for examination for appointment as Captain, Administrative Section, Quartermaster Officers' Reserve Corps.

2. You should at once report by letter direct to Lieutenant Colonel Amos Kimball, Quartermaster Corps, President of the Board at Manila, P. I., for instructions as to when your presence will be required.

Earl Lawton
Adjutant General.

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LOS ANGELES, CAL. _____ 19___

MI CITY OF MANILA
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

September 24, I9I7.

To Whom it may concern;

Greetings:

T.Nimrod McKinney of Manila, one of our foremost citizen, will depart from Manila October I5, I9I7, and intends spending s some time in your city.
As to his character, integrity and general standing, in this community, it is sufficient to acquaint you with the follow-facts:

He has resided in Manila approximately (I8) years, and whereas he is a stranger to you, he is among the best known men of business in this city.
He was one of the committee of a hundred citizen, selected by the former mayor of this city, to entertain the Honorable Japanese commercial Commission, that visited our city, in I9I6, and was the organizor of the unique and successful farewell reception, given by the citizen of Manila, in honor of the 24th U.S?Infantry, in recognition of the excellent conduct of the men of this regiment, during their tour of duty in Manila I9I5.
I understand, that he intends to take up matters of business with your league that will prove profitable to yourselvs your league, and to the Philippine Islands.
I commend him to your consideration and wish your league every success.

Very Respectfully yours

SGD JUSTO LUKBAN
Mayor, city of Manila

To the Los Angeles Branch:
National Negro Business League,
Los Angeles California, U.S.A.

THRU THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.

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LOS ANGELES, CAL. 19

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL
of the Philippine Islands

To WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

MR.T.N.McKINNEY, after some eighteen years residence in the Philippine Islands, is returning to the United States. Mr McKinney has been identified with business interests in the Philippine Islands and is well and favorably known, and I take pleasure in giving him this letter of introduction to whomsoever it may concern or may be presented.

SGD FRANCIS BURTON HARRISON
Governor-General

Manila, September 27, 1917.

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LOS ANGELES, CAL. 19

In reply please
refer to No 201 McKinney, T. Nimrod

Headquarters Philippine Department
Manila, P.I.
October 1, 1917.

From: Department Adjutant.
To; Mr T.Nimrod McKinney, Room 1, De La Rama Bldg., Manila, P.I.
Subject: Officers Reserve Corps.

In compliance with your request of September 29, 1917, in letter reporting your prospective departure for the United States on October 15, 1917, you are informed that the examining board before which you appeared for examination for commission in the officers reserve Corps found you physically, morally, and professionally qualified for appointment as Captain in the administrative branch of the quartermaster Section and recommended that you be appointed as such. The Department Commander approved the recommendation of the board and forwarded it to the Adjutant General of the Army June 29, 1917.

By direction of the Department Commander:

SGD EDWIN LANDON
Adjutant General.

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War Department.
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army.
Washington.

Mr T.Nimrod McKinney
#1355 Newton St.
Los Angeles, Calif.
Sir:

In reply to your letter, of October II, 1917, to Mr. Emmett Scott relative to your examination for commission in the Quartermaster Corps, you are advised that you passed the examination before the board at Manila but an adverse decision was rendered in this office in the final review of your papers. In view of this fact it is regretted no further action can be taken in your case.

Respectfully, SGD GEO.W. GOETHALS

Acting Quartermaster General.
By:Roben La Carmondy .....?
Captain Quartermaster Corps.

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T. N. McKinney

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FRONT PAGE ARTICLE

THE -------- M ANILA ----------TIMES
Pioneer daily of the Philippines

Manila Island of Luzon, Saturday, October 6, 1917.

SIX MORE MANILANS ARE Q.M.CAPTAINS

Get Commissions by Mail.---

Thompson Commands Depot.

Six more Manilans, well known in local business and official circles this morning received their commissions ~~by~~ as Captains, Quartermaster Officers Reserve Corps, and took the oath of office. None of them however, have as yet been called to active duty.

The men, who received their commissions individually, were all member of the same class which went up for examination in June. They are Captains C.H.Loeber, C.H.Magee, J.H.Alley, Harry Morgan, T.N.McKinney, and Phil D.Carman. Charles H.Loeber is the Chief Inspection Agent of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. He has been in the Islands many years connected with the Government Service.

C.H.Magee, is also a government official. He is purchasing agent for the Insular Bureau of supply, and has had much experience which Army officials agree will fit him for the quartermaster Corps;

J.H.Alley is accountant for the West Coast Life Insurance Company Manila Office. Harry J.Morgan is Manager of the electrical Dept' of the American Hardware Company.

T.N.McKinney is a well known local merchant.

Phil D.Carman now a Captain in the quartermaster reserve, is manager of the Watson Company.

Word received from the States, in yesterdays mail is to the effect ~~th~~ that Charles G.Thompson formerly Assistant Director of Prisons in the Philippine Islands, who left the Islands a few months ago on leave, has been commissioned a Captain in the Quartermaster Reserve and is now in command of a remount depot at Atlanta Georgia. Captain Thompson left Manila with the idea of getting a commission in the United States if possible. When he took the examination is not stated

Another ex-manilan to get a commission in the homeland is Earl Hamilton Smith, formerly city editor of the Cablenews American. Smith is now a Captain in the quartermasters reserve and is stationed at Fort Meyer, Virginia.

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a true copy
T. N. McKinney

Exhibit #3

WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY,
WASHINGTON.

December 4, 1917.

Mr. T. Nimrod McKinney
Gen. Del. P.O.
Los Angeles, Calif.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of November 3, 1917, relative to examination for commission in the Quartermaster Reserve Corps, you are advised that an adverse decision was rendered in this office in the final review of the papers in your examination, in view of which, it is regretted no further action can be taken in your case.

Respectfully,

HENRY G. SHARPE

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

By: John Hennard

Captain, Quartermaster Corps.

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Frederick T. Woodman
Mayor.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES

California

Office of the Mayor

2/11/30

Honorable T. Nimrod McKinney,
Los Angeles,
California.

Dear Sir:

The Mayor has directed me to express to you and the Filipino Colony assemblage that convenes this evening, his greetings.

With the hero Dr Jose Rizal for a subject, nothing less than a most profitable and inspiring effect can be the outcome of the occasion.

We appreciate beyond expression the mighty achievements of the world's great soldiers, battling for righteousness and the democratic principles of our great American government.

Wishing you a most profitable coming together, Iam,

Yours Respectfully,
SGD GLEN McWilliams
Secretary to the Mayor

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T. N. McKinney

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Joseph Keasbey Brick Agricultural,
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Bricks, North Carolina.

May 17 1918

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My dear Dr. DuBois,

I want to tell you how very much I enjoyed your speech last night. It seemed as if I were again in room 13 Trinity in Atlanta listening to you straightening some knotty history problem. There came to me the pure tones of the same enchanting voice whose sound has lingered in my memory thru these dozen or more

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Bricks, North Carolina.

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years; there was the same warm and rare smile - (more warmer and more frequent) which made me love you as a girl - no pain for a spinster to make such confession I like. Glen so you have remained my ideal.

The talk was doubly interesting because of you and I was reading that portion of Western Europe's history.

How I wish that I could hear more often people a little more like you. To be associated with real people and those who are doing things that count is the one thing that I desire

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to do. Mrs. Herndon had opened before me a wonderful vision and had she stayed with me things would have been so different.

I was glad to hear of Mr. Dill & of all A. U. men found time at the socials to speak to girls like me. I can never forget him.

I am very glad that you were my teacher for to me you are greatest of all men in morals, in intellect and in service- the first alone will reach me clean and keeping steering towards my goal.

Sincerely yours,
Lucile M. Hendon

June 29, 1918.

Miss Lucille M. McLendon,
J. K. Brick Agricultural H. and M. School,
Bricks, North Carolina.

My dear Miss McLendon:

Thank you very much for your kind letter and particularly for the love. I hope you will let me know when you are in town this summer.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Birmingham Ala.
3/D - 18th St.
Penny B. Bldg
May 6 - 1918

Crisis Magazine

I am herewith enclosing cards which were cast broad cast on the streets by parading men on horses who went single file along the principal thoroughfares of the city to night about 9 P.M. These men were garbed in white from head to foot. Some carried flags of U.S. Note the name of the Klan and the invitation for membership with the word "desirable".

Tell me please whether an organization of this kind is working for the good of the country or no?

I am yours a member of N.A.A.C.P.

Chas. McP Henson, M.D.

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Stege, California,

February 16, 1918.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

On your fiftieth birthday (February 23rd) we wish you a renewal of spiritual strength to continue your lofty conception of our American citizenship as expressed in "The Crisis".

Some day, when you are appointed to official public position, representing a portion of American life, we will appreciate the honor of representation by an ideal American, one who "does not know his place" or is considered "safe".

The expressions of your life aspirations have touched all over America; where you have little dreamed, men have found pleasure and inspiration to stand erect, following your line of thought.

Some of us have dreamed - but we lacked a something and have not demonstrated a power to create a footing and power, such as you have willed.

In your returned "Age of Miracles", dream, talk and express, that many of your striving fellow citizens may smile through their tears, - realizing that "the just thought is" somewhere in the world.

Walter G. Maddox

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February 28, 1918.

Mr. Walter C. Maddox,
Stege, California.

My dear Sir:

Let me thank you for your kind words of February 16.

Very sincerely yours,

WFBD/GRB.

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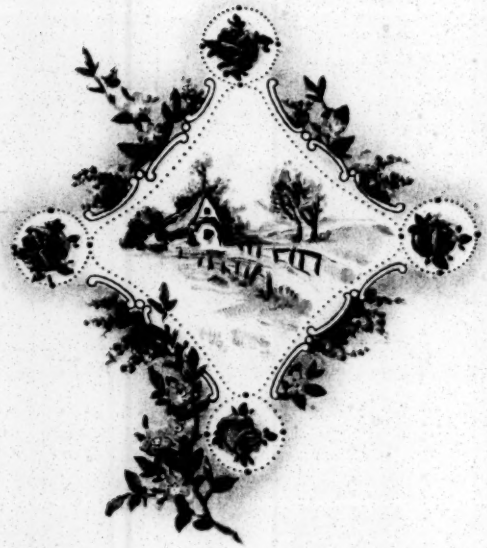
I wish to
Congratulate
Mr Du Bois
& have a son
now attending
Howard University
hoping to reach half
inside you are not
Yours respectfully.

Mr and Mrs
Charles Maize
Rahway
N J.

2/25/45



Birthday
Greetings

March 5, 1918.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Maize,
Rahway, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Maize:

I thank you very much for your kind greeting on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

JAN 30 1918

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Fourth Moravian Church

124-6 WEST 136TH STREET

REV. CHAS. MARTIN, D.D., PASTOR

TELEPHONE MORNINGSIDE 4112

New York. Jan. 28th 1918.

Dr. W. E. DuBois,
70 Fifth Av. N.Y.

2/27/2

My dear Dr. DuBois,

I have read with much pleasure "The Shadow of Years", and tender you my congratulations on your Birthday. May there be many more - each increasing in usefulness, happiness and advancement. I thank God for your life and services and pray that He may make you of still greater use.

By your next Birthday I trust you may be able to add - My Period of Divine Illumination. Christ may be seen by you and dwell in you. His presence does not make cowards of men. He strengthens the strong: ennobles the noble and adds a new height quality to the heroism of the hero.

And when next you look on death it will not be only "not unkind" but like another hero, cursed by his own, misunderstood by his own, but loving his own to the end you may with brightened eyes & joyous heart say as Life meant Christ to me so death means gain. "My time to go has come. I have fought in the good fight; I have run my course I have kept the faith. Now the crown of a good life awaits me, with which the Lord, that just Judge, will reward me on the great Day - and not only me but all who have loved & longed for His appearance.

Wishing you & The Crisis years of useful-ness and the joy of seeing the things you labored & prayed for come to fruition

I remain
Yours truly Chas. Martin.

2/27 18-28

February 2, 1918.

Mr. Charles Martin,
124-6 West 136 Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Martin:

I thank you very much for your kind words of January 28.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

ISADORE MARTIN
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE
6 NORTH 42ND STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA

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50 Yrs

February 23, 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

New York, N. Y.

My dear Sir:-

My hearty congratulations and best wishes for many future anniversaries.

Will you be kind enough to send me at once the subject of the address you are to give here on March 4. I wish this for our programs.

Yours very truly,

Isadore Martin

Indianapolic Ind,

Oct. 12th 1918

Negro Co-operative Guild,

79 Fith Ave.

New York City.

Dear Mr. Chairman:-

It affords me no little pleasure to let you know that I in my insignificant way am a staunch supporterof the co-operative movement, long before I read anyone's idea on co-operation I was converted to it, by trying to explain to myself why was it that I could not buy as cheap as my grocer could, after carefully study I found or came to the logical conclusion that if every one could buy as cheap as the grocer there would be no need for the grocer, so instead off leting the grocer buy our food stuff and charge us what he pleases to hold it for us, lets us buyour own food stuff and pay some one what we please to hold it for us. as it is with the food stuff so it is in other lines off merchandise.
Since I have been re-born and baptised in the relegion of co-pperation, for just as sure as faith in God is Spritual relegion, faith in co-operation is materiual relegion., I have organize a co-operative saving and loan association, among the twelve families of my relatives known as "The Home Saving Ass. in which every menber is a stockholder, a despotitor,a banker, and a borrower, all a member has to do is to write a check on the treasurer for the amount desired and draw the money, as same as you would at a bank, however no member can draw moore than $10000(Ten dollars) without security.

And I believe this one of the simpliest ways to educate our peoplein the value of co-operation.

If I can be of any sevice to you, I will gladly do all I can for such a worthy cause.

Yours for Sucess

Lee J, Martin

743 N. California St.

Indianapolis Ind. 10/12/18

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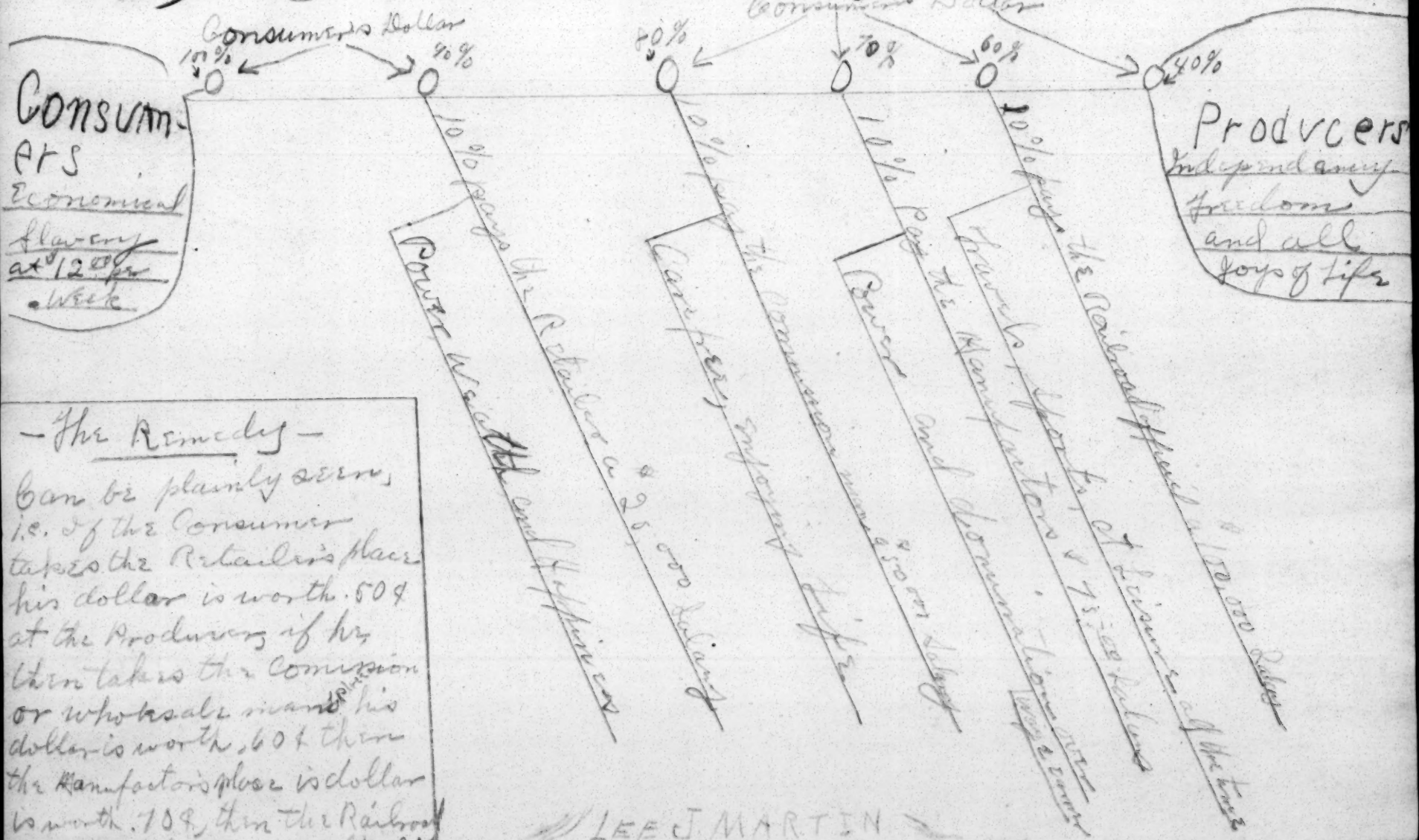
Paying a $100,000 Salary on $12.00 Per Week



-The Remedy-

can be plainly seen, i.e. If the Consumer takes the Retailer's place his dollar is worth .50¢ at the Producers if he then takes the Commission or wholesale man's place his dollar is worth .60¢ then the Manufactor's place is dollar is worth .70¢, then the Railroad Place is dollar is worth .80¢ and if the producer is worth $1.00 Plus 20% for transportation Manufacturing and distributing.

LEE J. MARTIN

The diagram does not endeavor to state correct figures, but the principal of how our dollars go. This can only be accomplished by Co-operation!

Cooperative Guild

October 17, 1918.

Mr. Lee J. Martin,
743 N. California St.,
Indianapolis, Ind.

2/15/60

My dear Sir:

I am enclosing a pamphlet on co-operation. I wish you would read it very carefully and then see if you could get a group of people who would be willing to make a careful and systematic study of co-operation this winter. We want first a careful study of the matter. We shall be glad to hear from you again.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD:AM:
Encl.

MAR 13 1918

Chicago Commons
955 W. Grand Ave.

2/16/71

March 10. 1918

To the editor of The Crisis
~~New York~~

~~Dear Sirs~~

I heartily welcome the discussion in your columns of the principles of co-operation in production & distribution. Much of the injustice which the N.A.A.C.P. is fighting would disappear if the colored people were less economically dependent. and through co-operation in industry a long stride in removing this disability might be taken besides training them for united action to improve their condition in other directions. Can not a leader be found who will do for the Negro farmer what Sir Horace Plunkett has done for the Irish agriculturist or a group among them arise with faith to attempt what

the Rochdale pioneers attempted?
I hope the discussion may go further
for I cannot imagine a greater service
which the N.A.A.C.P. can render than
the promotion of this form of self help.

~~Yours faithfully~~

C. H. Maynard.

March 13, 1918.

Mr. A. X. Maynard,
955 W. Grand Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

2/16/70

My dear Mr. Maynard:

I am glad that you are interested in cooperation among colored people. I am calling a conference on the subject next summer, probably in August. I am anxious to get together educated colored business men and social workers on the one hand, and on the other hand white persons of experience in cooperation and knowledge of the methods of social uplift.

If you know any such persons who would be interested in attending such a conference I would be glad if you would let me have their names and addresses.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Phila Pa. Jan 28th 1918

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1726 Montrose St.

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Dr. Du Bois – Dear Sir

I take great pleasure in congratulating one who is a true emancipator to his people. I am ~~am~~ earnest reader but I have found life in the Crisis, indeed it has inspired me to a greater responsibility for my people. I would that our country had a thousand

brave, noble minded men like your self. Men who dare to speake the trouth for his people. Men who can looke the blue eyed Anglo-Saxon in the face and let him know there are true hearted black men and women. My prayer is that you may live another 50 years to do good for your people as you are doing. God give us more Coloud men like you.

Yours Resp.
Reader of the Crisis
Estella Matthews.

2/27 18-69

February 2, 1918.

Mrs. Estella Matthews,
1726 Montrose Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Madam:

I appreciate your kind words of January 28.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Los Angeles, Cal[illegible] March 19, 1918.

Mr. W.E.B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

SUBSCRIPTION
MAR 26 1918

Kind Sir:

Allow me to congratulate you upon your recent birthday; also to forward one new annual subscription to "help double the Crisis family." I consider the March issue of the Crisis a capital one and have just passed it to a friend who asks me to send her subscription for same. She is a young white woman who is having her first experience teaching Negro children and finds it exceedingly interesting. She is employed in the school where I have been teaching for the past six years and we often discuss educational and other problems from the standpoint of the Negro.

Back to DuB. 5th

She is employed in the Kindergarten Department and is very desirous of securing Negro melodies suitable for her class, and would be pleased to have your department of Music send her copies of such to be used in connection with the regular songs of her program.

Kindly send same to

Miss Katherine W. Adkinson,
2129 W. 20th Street,
Los Angeles,
Cal.

Thanking you in advance for kind favors, I am,

Respectfully,

Leonia D. Maxwell

1429 Santa Fe Ave.

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May 4, 1918.

Miss B. D. Maxwell,
1429 Santa Fe Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your kind words concerning myself and THE CRISIS.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

THE MEDDLER

Printed and Circulated Weekly by Henry Clay Gray, Job Printer, P. O. Box 214

WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1918.

FROM SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE

The following comes to W. D. Davis, prominent local secret society and church worker, from his son, Pythageras H. Davis, of last year's graduating class from Oaklawn school: "This leaves me well and doing fine only a little lonely of being away from all the home boys. Papa, I hope that you won't let my lodge lues get too far behind. You help keep them up and some day I'll be home to repay you. Love to all the children, and please tell Sookie that I haven't forgotten her. When have you heard from Quincy? I hope he is well. I like over here better and better every day. In my journey overseas I couldn't see much for two or three days. I was seasick and stayel inside. But now I'm ready to help defend "Old Glory." Tell Mr. Price Bob Burnett, Brewer and Borders I said Hello, and will someday sail back overseas and tell them of my many sights. Oh! yes, Papa, ask mama have I any mail there from the War Department, and if so to please send it to me at once. Kiss all for me and pray that I will return back home to join the family soon. Papa, will you please give this to Prof. H. C. Gray to print in his dear old paper. Dear Father O' mine, do you mind the day in a railroad station, with a crowd that was gay, when you saidgoodbye, and blessed with a kiss your grownup lad; never dreaming he'd miss. That kiss and caress, in the years yet to run, as never before, your own loving son? And Dad's tear-dimed eyes, as we waited for the train; I knew what he thought, 'cause mine were the same. It didn't take long, that parting so brief. Your face wreathed in smiles, what traces of grief that tomented your heart were buried right there. But that parting so brief makes me wish to compare, That kiss and caress to a ship-building crew, when the liner is finised save a rivet or two,In a spot where they're needed, amoment of time completes a great task and a vessel sublime,It's the ship of my life, it was launched not in vain, It needed the rivet the touch of your plane, To smoothe down the rough spots or clamp down a plate, On the hull that might leak when the time was too late, For the ship must be worthy to plow through the sea, And to ride o'er the foams where the billows toss free, Come storms or come danger or blue skies and sun, There is no turning back 'till the journey is done, I've put on the O. D.'s; there's no retreat, And there is no turning back 'till the task is complete, Come flame or come bullets, Come gas or come shells, They may break up the body, those products are hell! But your kiss and caress, like a seal guaranteed, That your boy will be true while he fights overseas, For my soul has been pledged to whereever I trod, The love of MY FATHER, MY COUNTRY AND MY GOD.

Your son, PYTHAGORAS H. DAVIS, Hdg. Det. 317th Am. Fr.

Denton, Texas, Sept. 1, 1918—Kindly excuse this late answer to yours dated Aug. 24th. I was absent one week. I was glad to learn that you have been in Catholic atmosphere. That makes you a power. Your pains may be your inspiration. The best, most unselfish work has been done by ailing men—Christ had to die to rdeeem the world. Hence pleasure cannot think deep thoughts. May the fearless MEDDLER be long lived. It is needed in these evil days. Enclosed please find my mite to keep THE MEDDLER alive. Yours for uplift of Negroes—RAYMOND VERNIMONT.

AT THIS WRITING (Sept. 6th) newsfrom over seas looks encouraging—more encouraging in fact than ever before since the war started. The end is coming!

THAT there is a willful and wicked design to wreck both the United Brothers of Friendship anl the Knights of Labor of Texas for the sake of the rich salvage they would yieuld, THE MEDDLER has no doubt.Anl more's the pity we do not now see how this manifestly wicked design can be defeated.

THE MEDDLER has lecided, on second sober thought, to refrain from meddling in discussion pro and con with respect to Professor W. E. B. DuBois, editor of the CRISIS. First, because whatever we might say would have relatively very little if any material bearing, and secon, because we have more than anough right here before our doors to monopolize all of our thought and energy.

THE SANTONIO, Texas, Daily Express is getting a good deal of gratnitous free advertising (and some of it may bring results) on account of establishing a hundred thousand lollar fund to be apportioned in rewards for arrest and conviction of persons taking part in lynchings. But, the MEDDLER doubts if the Express will ever be called upon to pay out any money on that account. In the language of the breakfast food advertisements, we say—"There's a reason for it."

THE glaring errors on this and the opposite page were noticed in time but let stand rather than risk material delay in getting out the paper. Explanation: for the three or four weeks last past including this week the editor's ailment has been so troublesome THE MEDDLER had to be machine-set mainly, but this machine went "dead" with gas trouble before our corrections were completed.

THE MEDDLER has not weakened or abandoned its purpose to rid the public of that social parioh, J. Vance Lewis, and we confidently hope and expect that our efforts will be ultimately crowned with success. In any case we will fire again when we are ready.

Rev. Allen and wife, pastor of the C. M. E. Church, returned from the S. S. Convention at Denton and reports a nice time. Mrs. Minnie Hill is visiting in Fort Worth the past week. Mrs. L. Lott was down from Mineral Wells the past week visiting her father, Rev. E. Handford, Miss Bertie Edwards returning home with her. Mr. Cury Long left for Camp Travis last Tuesday. A social was given last Sunday in his honor at the home of Mrs. Mime Mitchell. Mr. T. J. Davis entrained for Fort Dodge, Iowa, early Sunday morning. Mr. Booker Thorp is visiting in Weatherforl the past week. Rev. Jordon, pastor of the Baptist Church of this city, filled his pulpit last Sunday. Mr. Dolph Smith, Joe Anderson and Will Johnson left for Mineral Wells on last Saturday. Mrs. Shaw, our former music teacher, left for her home at Waxahachie and we are sorry to lose her as her friends here are many. Mrs. Amanda Allen left for Fort Worth on last Saturday to take treatment under the doctor and we hope that she may return soon.—Allie McCuen.

THERE will be a big church fair, benefit of Macedonia A. M. E. church, Kouchman, of which Rev. Chilton Thomas is pastor, held on the 11th, 12th, 13th and 14h instant. Among other interesting things their advertising announces the following:

THE amount of fifty cents will be given as follows: for the tackiest dressed lady; for the best dressed lady; for the man with the biggest feet: for the ugliest man for the finest baby under seven months old: for the neatest piece of needle work.

The following are the committees: 1. On meats—S. S. Spence and Buel Spence. 2. On cakes and pies—Sisters Ella Ann Turner, Gillie Smith and Senora Wafer. 3. On ice cream—Sisters Vinia Lewis, Earlie Turner and Oscar Turner. 4. On peanuts—Amanda Henry, Murthy Henry and Thomas Collins. 5. On confectioneries—Sisters Cora Beats, Ada Payne Mattie Watts, Ella Phair Jones and Luella Belle Wafer. 6. On fish pond—Misses Catherine Wafer, Bennie Payne and little Gussie Henry. Miss Pearl A. Watts and Miss Zelma Payne will enter a contest for the pastor especially. The one raising the highest amount over $20.00 will be awarded an $8.00 pair of boots.

Rev. Chilton Thomas off to Koochman Wednesday to meet his presiding elder.....Rev'd. W. O. Boyd and Presiding Elder C. L. Morgan went to the Dallas District Sunday School Convention Tuesday.....Rev. W. B. Luster, Church of God, to Longview next Monday to hold a ten day revival meeting.. ....Mrs. Jones of Marlin, State Missionary President of the A. M. E. Church, spent several days here this week.....Chas. Herbert Diggs to Greenville Wednesday to pay the Keys a visit.....Mrs. Elizabeth Charles gone to Prescot, Arkansas, to visit her mother whom she has not seen in twenty years.. ....They say Mrs. L. L. Gibbs, Major General in local A. M. E. commonwealth, will shortly go to Colorado to make her future home.....Rev. A. L. King will be installed pastor of New Mount Zion on October 16th. He left for Little Rock Monday to attend the National Baptist convention....Rev. J. S. Simmons to Saint Louis, Monday, to attend National Baptist convention. .....Mrs. A. R. Appling, 104 Wyatt St., on sick list.....Rev. G. W. Kimbles, the revivalist, paid Waxa friends a brief call this week.....We gave Mr. Sid Wallace's address wrong last week. We should have had it: Gen. Deliv., Waxahachie, Texas.....Mrs. G. W. Reagan picked up a piece of jewelry near the holy roller church which the owner can recover by proving property.....Mrs. Eddie Tolbert spent her long summer stay in Muskogee, Ok., with Mrs. Walter Thompson of N. 15th Fondulac Street, that city.....Mr. J. C. Caver of Route E carried Mrs. Irene Trulove and heir iut to his farm in his car Wednesday for avisit.....If the advertisement of J. R. Henderson, the popular grocer under Frierson Hall, does not appear in this issue look for it in our next. Same notation for Perry Armstrong's cafe, first floor of K. of P. Hall.....Mrs. Birdie Andrews back here after several weeks spent in San Antonio to be near her husband in training camp.....Hon. C. M. White, Supreme Commander of the American Woodmen, will pay Camp 81 an official visit on the sixteenth at which time the camp will serve refreshments free and roll logs.....Mrs. Theodora Cunningham is residing at 424 N. Elgin Street, Tulsa, Okla.....C. C. Debose having concluded his engagement at Shawnee, Okla., is back here wid de madam and der kids.... Mrs. M. J. Purcel of Austin is the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. B. Terrell of Route 5.....Mrs. M. J. Anderson-Reller of Murdock Street has purchased a "high frequency" machine and will give electrical treatment for skin and scalp.....Mr. Rob't Hudspeth of Newtown under care of the doctor, pneumonia.....Miss Nellie Bates coming out of her illness nicely.

Mrs. Irene Treelove-Holley extends her thanks and appreciation to those who have recently entertained her with dinners, viz: Mr. and Mrs. George Hyder, Prof. and Mrs. E. L. Gibson, Mrs. Mollie Goins, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Gooden, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Munchus, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Frierson, and to too all these she feels greatly indobted and to others who have kindly remembered her while ill so long here. She laves for home today wishing all much success and future happiness.

That we are appoaching an era of saner times is clearly indicated, we think, by paragraphs like the following we clipped from the Daily Light of last Monday: "'Leaf by leaf the roses fall.' Senator Vardaman is gone. Cole Blease followed quickly upon his heels. The scalp of the German Kaiser is next in order."

S, W. Westbrooks to Mount Pleasant and return, more about it in our next issue.....They say Mrs. Edna Thomas is getting along "fine an' dandy" at Mineral Wells at $10.00 per week.....Mrs. I. M. Collins has returned from Mineral Wells much improved in health.....Lawyer M. H. Broyles of Houston, once a Professor at Prairie View, is an Independent candidate for Congress and has, THE MEDDLER thinks, much more than "a ghost" of a chance to be elected.

DOCTOR W. F. RICHIE, PH. C., DENTAL SURGEON, takes this method of announcing to the public and his friends that he is officing with Dr. J. E. Munchus, 616 E. Main street, where he is prepared to do all manner of dental work in strict conformity to the latest and best standards of the profession. Professional visits to patients in their homes when necessary.

ANOTHER SAMPLE OF TABORIAN GRAFT

Among local items in the Texas Freeman of Aug. 31st we found the following:

> S. J. Dixon and Mrs. T. M. Fairchild, after spending five weeks in Waco assisting in auditing the accounts of the State Grand Temple and Tabernacle, Knights and Daughters of Tabor, returned home last Saturday.

"What's the idea?" the intelligent reader may mentally ask himself. Why THE MEDDLER's answer is that the above mentioned parties are but two of an army of amateur would-be bookkeepers, variously estimated at from fifty to one hundred and upward, kept in Waco for the period of time above specified at $4.25 per capita per day in the vain and stupid effort to cover up the tracks of the suck egg dogs.

To understand what a brazen faced steal this whole proceeding indicates one needs only to be reminded: (1) That grand officers and their deputies had already mulched the fraternity thousands of dollars in fees, transportation, time, entertainment and so forth, account of annual visitations to local lodges for the express purpose of inspection and audit of these selfsame books. And (2) that perhaps not one in a hundred of these make-believe expert accountants had any more qualifications for the task than a jackass rabbit has for the office of town policeman.

From all this there is no escaping conviction that this alleged five weeks' audit of the books of the order was nothing in this world but a fizzling farce. Nothing in this world but just so much corruption money-bribery through and by means of which it was expected that each one of these extravagantly paid auditors would return home and go to pulling wool over the eyes of the suckers like hell abeating tan bark.

OBJECTS AND PURPOSES OF THE MEDDLER RESTATED

THE MEDDLER is not published for the object and purpose of deriving income directly account of subscriptions, advertisements and so forth, and much less as the mouth-piece or organ of any sect, party or class of the people. I am not, within the smallest degree, covetous of earning my living by any profession, trade, calling or business but that of JOB PRINTING. My sole object and purpose, then. in printing and circulating THE MEDDLER has been, and is to keep the public waked up to the fact that I am in the JOB PRINTING business and no mean disciple of my trade.

And my only object in counterfeiting the pretensions and affectations of the newspaper was harboring the hope and expectation that the public would appreciate such a novelty enough to chip in something once in a while to help keep the thing alive and going.

But I did not expect this aid to come in response to solicitation or from a felt sense of duty or obligation or charity. I figured that enough people would insist on their privilege and opportunity to give me something as a slight tesmonial of their appreciation, to make the experiment worth a severe try out.

All my hopes and expectations in these premises have been more than abundantly realized, only I am beginning to fear my clientage is tending to exalt the midget counterfeit newspaper to the disparagement of my genuine twenty carat JOB PRINTING. Don't forget: I am, first of all, a JOB PRINTER and a cracking good one at that. I am admirably fixed up and stocked up to do all the lines of JOB PRINTING usually called for by the Colored People. And more over I can do JOB PRINTING for my patrons of all neighboring towns and communities as fine and deliver the goods as quickly and generally for less money than the other fellow. In conclusion I am—don't forget the Job Printing.

Very sincerely yours,

THE JOB PRINTER, HENRY CLAY GRAY.

[THE MEDDLER]

September 23, 1918.

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Mr. Henry Clay Gray,
P. O. Box 214,
Waxahachie, Texas.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words concerning me in THE MEDDLER. I appreciate them.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

[MELBIN]

Norfolk, Va.
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Dr. Wm. E. B. Du Bois,
Editor Crisis,
New York -

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Dear Sir:

In May, 1903 I read in the Outlook Mr Hymon Abbott's estimate of yourself and his impression of the Soul of Black Folk. I had heard of you before then my sister who heard you read a paper at the Hampton Negro Conference, which immensely impressed her. Regarding Dr Abbott's advice, I procured the Soul of Black Folk and for the first time saw the other side stated and advocated by a writer. It was a plea for you in those days. But what is that more to whom I had looked this book said to me? Du Bois has shown very clearly the other side of the Negro problem - I thought our progress at least had been made.

What you want upon with reference to working at any trade with colored men in their efforts to help them take a deeper significance by the attitude of Dr Abbott with reference to the bargain of the mulattoes and blacks. Still meaning as he does - is he is utterly unprepared to sperge the best word for the Negro.

I am sending to you my congratulations upon the advent of your fiftieth birthday. You have been of real service to mankind. My sincere desire is that you live twice fifty years and that your faculties remain undimmed.

Respectfully

W. W. Melbin

[ENCLOSURE]

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H. W. Melvin

U. S. MAILING CLERK

NORFOLK, VA.

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February 19, 1918.

Mr. H. W. Melvin,
U. S. Mailing Clerk,
Norfolk, Virginia.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind words of February 11.

Very sincerely yours,

WmBb/GRB.

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Chicago, Ill. 3-8-18.

3763 Wabash Ave.

MAR 12 1918

Mr A. G. Dill,
70 - 5th Ave.,
N y City.
N. y.

My dear Mr. Dill:-

It is a very great pleasure to me to write to you this time. While acting as agt. for the "Crisis" in Omaha Neb. it was always a source of pleasure when I had new subscribers to report. Out of all I sent in to the Crisis office, none gave me such impetus to help posterity as this lone one, feeble in number but of giant spirit, does at this time.

It is only a drop in the

bucket, but it is my drop. I wish one million sent a drop, each.

This letter is my prayer that the living God He lives, tho it is dark much of the time: "The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament sheweth His handy work" (We know best that God lives when men manifest His being) will spare the giant leader for human rights, Dr. Dubois. No one else today is in the spot light clamoring, without compromise for the rights of the most defenseless race of people on earth. The other race, the more fortunate race, does not want such a man as Dr. D. to lead the black people, hence in selecting

the leaders for the black people, the
american white man never picks
a man or men of Dr. Dubois' type.
Young Black men are choosing
their own leaders. They might have not
been stirred so by the tales of cruelty
of ante-bellum days, but O God! can
they forget Texas, Georgia, Coatesville,
East St Louis & the weekly holiday
roastings? "Is Gilly" is there
no balm in Gilead? Yes, and
may many more such anni-
versary celebrations come to pass;
only then the living (not the death)
of such a life as the one we now
celebrate will freedom to black
people come.

Sincerely,
J. Merchant

01/27/10

March 14, 1918.

Mr. J. Merchant,
3763 Wabash Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words concerning myself and THE CRISIS.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Mrs. Sam Hardaway Smith
expects that she will be unable to
attend the Public Exercises to be
given in honor of Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois on
Monday, February 26th.

To John R. Shillady
Feby. 19th.
3 Morris Pl.

50 yrs

UNION STATION PLAZA.

FIREPROOF. CABLE ADDRESS, HOCONTAL. EUROPEAN PLAN.

HOTEL CONTINENTAL

WASHINGTON HOTEL CO.
A. W. CHAFFEE, MANAGER

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WASHINGTON, D.C. Feb. 23, 1918

John R. Shillady, Esq.,
70 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear Sir:-

Please reserve a place for me at the Dinner in honor of Dr. DuBois next Monday evening, though I fear it will be impossible for me to leave Washington for at least a week or ten days. If I am in New York I want to attend and show my appreciation of the Doctor's good work in the world.

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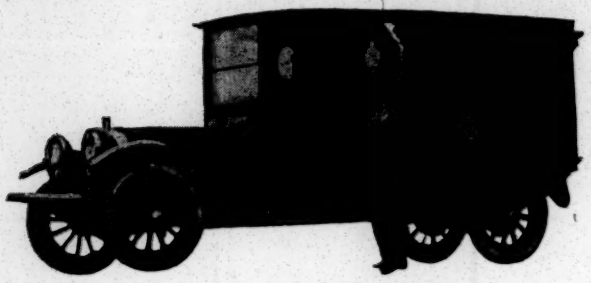
Sincerely yours,

Jno. E. Mitchell



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July 19, 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:-

It was with much pleasure and pride I read of your appointment as Captain, under Major Spingarn, in the Intelligence Department of the United States Army. We feel that the department is indeed fortunate in securing the services of such men as you and the Major. We wish for you all the glory and honor that serving one's country to the fullest extent of one's ability can bring.

2/15/69

It was my good fortune to enter the officers' training camp at Des Moines last summer. I remained there till Sept. 15th, which date was originally set for the closing. As you know the time of closing was extended for thirty days. At that time I did not know exactly what to do- either to reenlist for the extended time or to return to my business. I decided on the latter. I was given " Honorably Discharged by reason of Expiration Term of Enlistment ". Upon returning home I found my brother had carried on our business in a most satisfactory manner, and I have often wished I had remained .

I am now thirty-five years of age and have a most ardent desire to return to the service. Seeing the account of your appointment gave me the inspiration to write to offer myself to you as an aide or assistant in your office or branch of the service. I do not know what the duties will be, but you have an idea of my ability and where I was trained, also of what success we have had and are having in our business. I have directed my business ever since I left Atlanta University, have had Bookkeeping and Business Administration at Columbia University, New York; you have observed the successful appearance of our funeral and automobile business; I understand typewriting and am doing this writing to you. I want very much to do War work during the period of the War and would enjoy no work more than to work under you. My ability to undergo successfully three months of military training and my own choice of an honorable discharge in order to return to business my commend my case.

My mother and sisters send best regards to you and your family. My cousin Julia has just completed her teaching in the summer school of the South Carolina State College and is about to leave for six weeks of study at Chicago University, preparatory to her winter work in the High School of Kansas City, Kansas. My brother Richard is for eight weeks Head instructor in Automobile Mechanics and Repairs at the Army Training School,

Orangeburg, S. C.

Hoping to hear from you, I am

Yours very truly,

Edward C. Mickey.

July 26, 1918.

Mr. E. C. Mickey,
113 Calhoun Street,
Charleston, S. C.

My dear Sir:

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Your letter of July 19 has come during Dr. DuBois' absence from the city, on his vacation. I have, however, sent him a copy of it, and beg to thank you for your kind words and interest.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

August 10, 1918.

Mr. E. C. Mickey,
113 Calhoun Street,
Charleston, S. C.

My dear Mr. Mickey:

2/15/67

I regret to say that the General Staff has decided not to establish the bureau which was under discussion, at least at present. Consequently, I shall not go to Washington.

You might write to Major J. E. Spingarn, Military Intelligence Bureau, General Staff, Washington, D. C., or to Mr. Emmett J. Scott, War Department, Washington, D. C., to see if you in some way cannot be used.

My best regards to your mother, brother and sisters,

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Birthday Greetings to Dr. W. E. B. DuBois.

O Joshua of a mighty race!!
Your brothers give God their thanks,
For the years of your leadership,
Which has brought us across Jordan's banks.
Now, into Democracy's Promised Land,
Be a light unto our feet,
Guided by a faith fresh and strong,
And a vision clear and sweet.

------- Clifford L. Miller Feb. 18, 1918

Tuskegee College
Tuskegee Ala.

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March 8, 1918.

Mr. Clifford L. Miller,
Talladega College,
Talladega, Alabama.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate the little poem you sent on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Dubois

50 Lyrics

Intrepid man! With glad acclaim we hail the natal day
When Pisces low inclining sun paused on his hasty way
To kiss the blissful slough that held secure thy feeble form,
That nestled thee in shelter kind from every unkind storm.

II.

Since then the years, full fast, have sped; to thee sore burdens brought.
With mind alert, heroic heart, thy soul in faith hath wrought
In freedom's cause, for right and truth; nor compromise hath made.
And what it costs to play the man, that debt, thou well hast paid.

III.

Let fruitful service crown thy days, and richest favors bless,
The sequent peace of conscious worth be thy reward no less
Than prayers flamed in field of strife; thine end adorned with light,
Not for thy wit, nor skill, nor power, but daring to the right.

George Frazer Miller

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March 4, 1918.

Mr. George Frazier Miller,
121 N. Oxford Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Mr. Miller:

Thank you very much for your kind words and the poem.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CHB.

April 23, 1918.

Mr. William Miller,
426 Jackson Avenue,
Long Island City.

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My dear Sir:

I have been referred to you by Mr. Eugene K. Jones.

The time seems to have come when decent colored people have got to take a stand against Giles Jackson? His influence at Washington is growing and he is being used as a tool by some of our worst enemies. I understand from Mr. Jones that you have facts in your possession concerning Jackson's career. Would you be willing to communicate them to me either by letter or by word of mouth? I should, of course, hold anything that you told me in strictest confidence.

Very sincerely yours,

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BELL TELEPHONE

GEORGE W. MITCHELL
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
908 WALNUT STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Aug. 26th, 1918

My dear DuBois:

I very much regret to say that owing to the shortness of your notice and my engagements here, I shall be unable to participate in your conference at this time. If your conferees are all local, and it is agreeable, we might run over some Sunday.

Glad to hear from you and hope that you and all are well.

Yours truly GW Mitchell

P.S. The enclosed Bulletin was prepared by us in connection with a joint meeting of directors of our various associations. The affair was so successful and enjoyable, it has been determined to hold another meeting or conference of the kind some time about October of this year. I would be glad to get in touch with your movement and to help it if I can.

BELL TELEPHONE

Co-operative Guild

GEO. W. MITCHELL
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
908 WALNUT STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Oct. 19th, 1918

My dear DuBois:

Yours with enclosures relative to co-operative societies etc. is received. It is undoubtedly a great scheme and one with which Iam somewhat acquainted having organized such a concern in my early practice. The laws of this State generously provide for such organizations and are doubtless based upon or copied from similar laws abroad as I glean from your literature which I have scanned.

My watch over and study given the concern organized by us which for a time gave splendid promise of success and which I understand still persists although perhaps moribund, lead me to believe that the scheme contains the key to the solution of all our major social problems. The greatest need, and this is the greatest need among us generally, is for an honest, intelligent and self sacrificing leadership, the leadership of men with sufficient business sense to know that all that is taken in over the counter is not profit but must be accurately charged with overhead and carrying costs, who will be self-sacrificing enough not to want to grab everything for themselves in the shape of salaries or wages before the thing is strong enough to carry them, men who will be ambitious to work and labor and build the thing up knowing that as soon as this is done some other fellow will under mine him and take his job. Of course there are such men but our problem is to find them. Perhaps I have organized and have tried to help build up as many, and I expect more, enterprises among our people as any man that ever lived here and it has been a great pleasure to see many of them succeed but I have seen some sicken and fail to grow as they should only because the incompentent would persistently seek office while the competent found themselves unable to sacrfice a little time or were unwilling to compete against some scalawag and his rougish following seeking leadership for the supposed honor with the expectation of letting his followers loot.

But all of this is aside from the question. Cooperation is a great thing and while Iam no social philosopher, Iam inclined to believe that it is the cap stone on the columns that sustain properly organized society, religious, political, social. When any class reaches the stage of complete and satisfactory cooperation, that is or soon becomes the ruling class whether it consists of a combination of priests, of millionaires, or of polititians masquerading in the name of a party.

Now, my friend, count on me to be interested and as being willing to help anything calculated to help humanity and especially that part with which we are identified. But the task of organizing the movement here to which you refer, I think would be better in the hands of some one who could look forward to it as a career, some younger person than myself. By-the-way, some young men in West Philadelphia have been consulting me with reference to putting on a cooperative scheme off and on for the past six months; should this develop it might fit in with yours.

Yours truly George Mitchell

P.S. I thank you for promise to review book in Nov. Crisis. I trust you may find it worth while.

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[Z. W. Mitchell]

Shall We Have DEMOCRACY At Home Through Mutual Understanding?

CENTENNIAL CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL CONGRESS

Springfield, Illinois

September 22-23-24, 1918

You are invited to attend a special meeting at the St. Paul A. M. E. Church, Sunday afternoon, April 21st, at 4 p. m.

Among the greatest events in the history of Illinois will be the centennial celebration of the State's admission into the Union. The centennial celebration consists of a number of great gatherings celebrating important historical periods and events occurring during the one hundred years' growth and development of the State.

As these events will be celebrated in Springfield, the capitol city, it is thought that some consideration of the subject which most particularly characterized the greatest act of the greatest citizen the State ever had—Abraham Lincoln—would at least be in keeping with the spirit of the centennial, and to this end some of the most prominent representatives of both races in America are being invited to attend a Co-operative Educational Congress to be held here Sept. 22, 23, 24, 1918.

Feeling that the colored citizens of Springfield are vitally interested in this event and should properly have a large share in the arrangements and program of the same, YOU are invited to be present Sunday afternoon, April 21st, at 4 o'clock sharp, new time, at the St. Paul A. M. E. Church, for the purpose of considering matters pertaining thereto.

Among the important questions to be discussed are:

Shall we have a chorus of Springfield singers?

Shall the fraternal orders have a parade reviewed by the Governor and distinguished visitors?

Shall the Co-operative Educational Congress be opened by a Religious Congress of all racial denominations?

If you have any interest in Springfield do not fail to be present Sunday afternoon and invite your friends to attend **the first meeting of the Centennial Committee** to be held by the race in this city.

T. W. WARRICK, Chairman, Educational Board, Loyal Legion Co-operative Educational System.

ROBERT P. TAYLOR, President, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

CAPT. R. A. BYRD, Chairman, Committee, Legion Enterprise and Industry.

Z. W. MITCHELL, Executive Secretary, Co-operative Educational Council Board of the Legion.

A. MORRIS WILLIAMS, President, Negro Business League of Springfield.

COL. RUFUS NELSON, Secretary, Employees' Charity League.

WM. H. BAZIE, Pastor.

The Proposed Co-operative Educational Congress has been approved by the Co-operative Educational Board of the Loyal Legion Co-operative Educational System, Governor Frank O. Lowden and a Co-operative Centennial Committee composed of 100 of Springfield's most prominent and influential business men. A Centennial Committee of 100 Prominent Colored Citizens of Springfield will be organized.

GOVERNOR LOWDEN'S ENDORSEMENT:

State of Illinois,
Office of The Governor,
Springfield.

March 7, 1918

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

I have been much interested in your plans for a cooperative educational Congress, to be held here September 22-23-24, 1918. I heartily approve of this movement, and shall be very glad to do what I can to help make it a success.

Sincerely yours,

Frank O. Lowden

Mr. Z. W. Mitchell,
Executive Secretary,
Cooperative Educational Council Board,
124 South Eleventh Street,
Springfield, Illinois

Many favorable replies are being received from prominent men of both races, representing some of the most important organizations of America.

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THE MONDAY CLUB.

March 8, 1918.

The Monday Club,
c/o John Hope,
Morehouse College,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Friends:

Thank you for your good wishes and encouraging words in your telegrams of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Tessenden Academy

FEB 25 1918

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Dr. W.E. Burghardt DuBois,

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Dear Dr. DuBois

FEB 26

I want to join with your wide Circle of friends in hearty Congratulations and felicitations on the fifteenth Anniversary of your Natal day, with the jubilee felicitation We open the way for the Century goal. We need you and the work you are doing

As a Memento of the anniversary I am
enclosing Check for one dollar for
which please send The Crisis one year,
beginning with the February number
to Prof. W. A. Caldwell.
256 South Jefferson St.
Mobile, Ala.

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Wishing you many more happy
returns of the day, I am,
Heartily Yours,
Geo. W. Moore,
of Nashville Tenn

March 13, 1918.

Mr. George L. Moore,
Fessenden Academy,
Fessenden, Florida.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind words in your letter of February 20, and thank you for the subscription.

Very sincerely yours,

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LEWIS B MOORE HOWARD UNIVERSITY.

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March 8, 1918.

Mr. Lewis B. Moore,
Howard University,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Moore:

I thank you for your hearty congratulations on my birthday in your telegram of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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FISK UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 22,1918.

The Crisis,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

NOV 25 1918

Gentlemen,--

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Seeing your request in the November Crisis regarding The Negro Co-Operative Guild, I am moved to write you of my interest in the movement. I have been interested in the Consumers' Co-operative Movement for some time, and have so much faith in it that I am delighted to see it reach out for everybody. I read in the Co-operative Consumer of Dr. DuBois' connection with it, and hoped then that it might reach Nashville. I am sorry to say that I am too busy to do anything practical about it, even if it were wise, which perhaps it is not, but I should be glad to do something in the way of arousing enthusiasm for it, if that seems wise. Mrs. Crosthwait, our Registrar, is always interested in public welfare movements and I know she would be glad to be informed at any rate.

I think your Mr. Dill can tell you of my interest, and so will the Co-operative people upstairs.

Very truly yours,

[Miss] Jessie B. Morris, Pvt. Sec'y.

I already have quite a bit of Consumers Co-operation literature. Can you suggest more?

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W. E. B. Du Bois,
Editor of The Crisis,
New York City.

My dear Friend my Brother:

I have read with unusual interest and pleasure your "The Shadows of Years" in the February Crisis. You say therein - "I always felt myself the superior, not the inferior, and any advantages which they had over me I was sure, quite accidental." That is the feeling I have had from my earliest recollections. Deep in my heart this feeling in you is one of the weighty causes of my great admiration for you - it grows with the years. I distinctly recall your advent at Fisk and I recall and remember with delight the pleasant as well as the profitable years we spent there together. Accept hearty congratulations on your fiftieth birthday from your brother alumnus who preceded you in this life by nine years and one day. May you live at least another fifty years to carry on, complete, rest from and enjoy the results of the great and necessary work you are now engaged in.

Yours faithfully, Wm. R. Morris

February 25, 1918.

Mr. William R. Morris,
818 Metropolitan Life Building,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Morris,

I appreciate your very kind words and and remember with much pleasure our association in other years.

My best regards to you and Mrs. Morris,

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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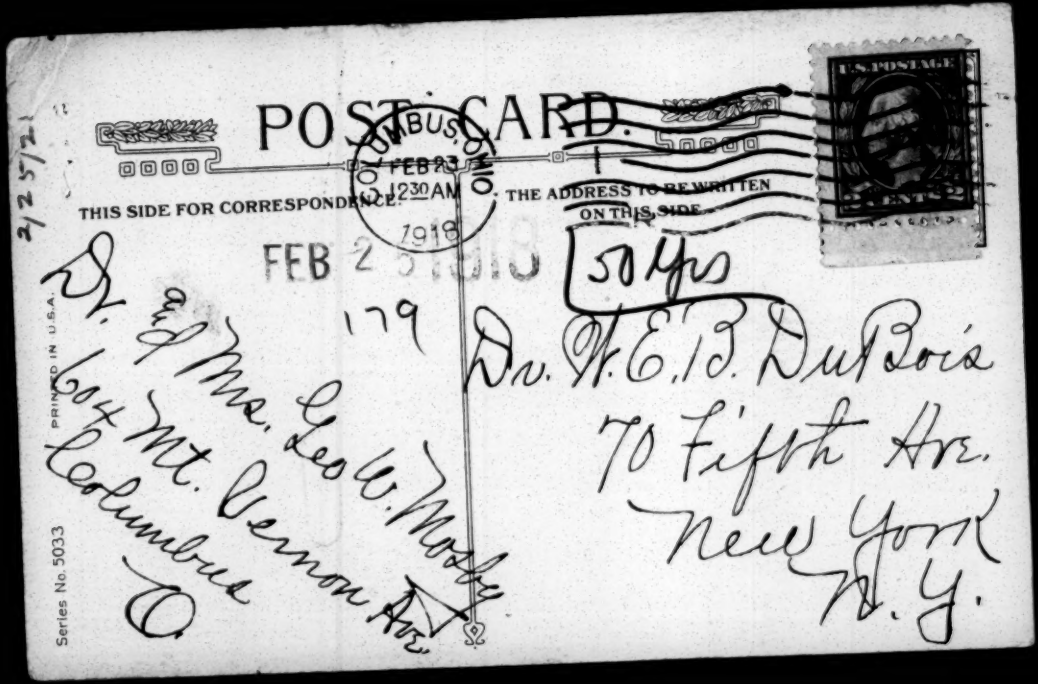
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My Birthday wish for You.

Live many years,
Your heart at rest
Among the folks
Who love you best.

March 8, 1918.

Dr. and Mrs. George W. Mosby,
604 Mt. Vernon Avenue,
Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Mosby:

Let me thank you for your good wishes on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Miss Lucy E. Maken

1839 Vernon Street, N. W.

February 5, 1918.

Miss Lucy B. Moten,
1839 Vernon Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Miss Moten:

I thank you very much for your kind birthday remembrance.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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July 17,1918

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I notice by the Age that you have been appointed Captain in the United States Army. I of course knew that the matter was in contemplation.

I take this first opportunity to express my congratulations and wish you all success, which I am sure you will have.

I was very glad you could be at the dinner.

With all kind wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

R. R. Moton

Principal.

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July 26, 1918.

Dr. R. R. Moton,
Tuskegee Institute,
Tuskegee, Ala.

My dear Sir:

In Dr. DuBois' absence from the city, I beg to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of July 17.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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November 15, 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Bois:-

I am writing to advise you that I shall be very glad to serve on the Executive Committee of the Tercentennary Celebration of the landing of the Negroes in America. I think the arrangement of the Committee as indicated in your letter is most satisfactory.

I regretted so much that I could not be present at the dinner, and was likewise prevented from attending the meeting at Carnegie Hall. I appreciated very much the kind expressions which you made with reference to me in your remarks that night.

With best wishes, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

H

R. R. Moton

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On Dec. 16th, 1918 a memorandum was sent out from the office of Maj. Dean, 317th Ammunition Train, requesting that all Colored officers of the Ammunition Train and Division Headquarters report to his office at 4 P. M. as Dr. Moton would speak to the men and officers at that time. At the hour stated the men and officers were present, and Maj. Dean had all of the men drawn up in formation and in a short address introduced Maj, Moton. The address delivered by Dr. Moton to the men consisted of one or two jokes about a Colored preacher, the assurance that the people at home were proud of them, and the manner in which they should act upon their return to the United States, dwelling almost entirely upon the phrase, "not to be arrogant". After he had spoken to the men Maj. Dean informed the officers that Maj. Moton desired to hold a secret conference with them. All officers congregated in the office, together with Mr. Lester Walton and Mr. Nathan Hunt, Secretary to Dr. Moton. After being presented to the officers Maj. Moton stated that he had been sent to France by President Wilson and Mr, Baker for the purpose of speaking to the Colored troops. He also stated that he had just left Paris where he had been in conference with Pres. Wilson, and had asked the President his views as to the practical application of democracy toward the Colored men in the United States, but ended by saying, " I was very much pleased with his reply, but, gentlemen, I cannot quote the President".

After Dr. Moton finished his talk no opportunity was given to the officers to inform him of the conditions that had existed in France, and he did not seek any information relative to same from any of the officers after the conference ended.

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68 WILLIAM STREET
NEW YORK

February 21, 1918

Dear Dr DuBois

Oh yes of course I give thanks every night that you are with us, and hope you will be spared another fifty years at least And you are the most colorful stylist America has produced--always excepting Hearn And when I reflect on your countenance I weep for the homeliness of our presidents (I enjoy deviling southerners by saying 'Of course the Negro is more civilized than the caucasian What forsooth are the diagnostics of a civilization? Even two: cuisine and pulchritude As for the first, did you ever sit down to a meal of white American cooking without wishing the Pilgrim Fathers had been Negroes--or at least Frenchmen? And as for the second, take a look at DuBois!') And one could listen forever without boredom to either your eloquence or your writing

All this is very true And very well But, query: Why in hell live in America? Believe me, had ironic destiny dowered me with half your gifts and then placed me with a dark skin amid the most intolerant of all nations, I'd flee to Europe or Asia by first boat

Please answer thru the Crisis

Yours for a world all free

Paul Munter

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Hardwick Georgia
Georgia State Sanitarium -
February 9 - 1918.

From Mr Oscar Thrupley -

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Doctor W.E.B. DuBois:
Editor "The Crisis".

Returned list -

Noticing in the public press an account of your approaching fiftieth birthday. In appreciation of your kindness to me in the past I wish to extend to you from this isolated location in the heart of the South my sympathetic congratulations that you have been spared through the stress & strenuous years to prosecute a work. With best wishes for some good health and a successful career -

Very Respectfully -

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Dr. M. E. Burghardt Surgeon Dentist.
170. ~~Fifth~~ Avenue
New York. N. Y.

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February 21, 1913.

Mr. Oscar Murphy,
Ga. State Sanitarium,
Hardwick, Georgia.

My dear Sir:

I am very glad indeed to hear from you and thank you for your kind congratulations.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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J. H. Murray, M. D. G. M. E.

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Patterson, La 2/18-1918

W. E. B. Dubois,
Editor of Crisis
New York. N.Y.

Dear Sir:— May you live long to keep up the good work. for your principals and teachings are very high. You are doing a great work and you can not imagine how it help us down south to put up heare. Yours Truly J. H. Murray M.D.,

March 9, 1918.

Dr. J. H. Murray,
c/o Grand Medical Examiner,
Patterson, Louisiana.

My dear Sir:

Thank you very much for your good wishes on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Philadelphia, Pa.,

Feb. 6" 1918.

Gentlemen:-

I certainly do wish to continue my subscription to the Crisis. It has become necessary to my literary appetite; more & more the realization of the future of this magazine mingles far-reaching & dauntless in its efforts to right the grievous wrong of a race is brought home to one in burning letters which spell final victory for us.

At this time I wish also to extend hearty greeting to the esteemed editor of the Crisis, Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois, & wish him many, many happy returns of his natal day. We need hundreds of such men, strong, staunch race men to achieve the goal we seek, nay, are destined to obtain.

Enclosed please find amount P.O. money order One ($1 00/100) dollar for renewal of my subscription.

Enclosed also you will also find P.O. money order One ($1 00/100) dollar for Mrs. Maymie Hunn, who wishes to renew her subscription. Her address is the same as previously stated in letter.

Wishing you continued success, & assuring you of my hearty co-operation in your splendid work I beg to remain in closing,

Respectfully,

(Miss) M. Murray.

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February 14, 1918.

Miss M. Murray,
917 North Eleventh Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Madam:

I thank you for your kind greeting.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Mr. W.C. Bruce Bois,
Editor Crisis

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My dear Sir:

Congratulations; felicitations; good health; strength; the power to will and do, be to you on your fiftieth birthday and through the many (I pray) years to come. But actions speak louder than words. Please find enclosed a brand-new subscriber.

Very truly yours,
Charles E. Myers

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February 6, 1918.

Mr. Charles D. Myers,
14 D Street, S. E.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate your kind words of February 3.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Harvard Medical School,
Boston Mass., 2-28-18.

To W. E. Burghardt Du Bois:

Most honored Sir:- Not unlike yours first has been my "Age of Miracles". That my "Days of Disillusion" are impending, there is little doubt. Immeasurably fortified by the fact, however, that, Will and Ability, through the media of Work and Play, will effect a "Second Miracle Age"; we cherish and emulate you.

Lead On! We follow him who never compromised the rights of his fellow-man and bows only before the practical realization of the fact that "A Man's a Man for a' that."

Yours was a natal day. To me it was not only that but your consecration came to our cause. Harvard on that day, November 25th 1918, conferred upon me the degree of Doctor of Medicine. There is double joy, in that you have lived to inspire and I to be receptive of that inspiration.

May the extending art of Man and Nature, not unkind, secure unto you a fullness of days. I am,

Yours sincerely,
Franklin A Myers
Harvard Medical School

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March 5, 1918.

Mr. Franklin A. Myers,
Harvard Medical School,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind words on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

[NATIONAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS]

FEB 25 1918

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219 N. Upper Street, Lexington, Ky.

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Feb. 20 1918

Dr W. E. B. Du. Bois
New York City

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Dear Sir:- We send you greetings in behalf of the Mothers Meetings of the National Federation of Women's Clubs. Your edeloriads have soothed many a sorrowing mother and the wielding of your pen in the fight for justice has gladden the hearts not only of mothers but the entire race. May you live long to lead us on to victory.

Yours for "Lifting As We Climb"

(Mrs) Lizzie B. Fouse.
Department of Mothers Meetings.

[NATIONAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS]

February 27, 1918.

Mrs. Lizzie B. Fouse,
219 N. Upper Street,
Lexington, Kentucky.

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Dear Madam:

I appreciate very much your kind greetings in behalf of the Mother's Meeting of the National Federation of Women's Clubs.

Very sincerely yours,

WKBD/GRB.

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Long may it wave o'er the Land of the free and the home of the brave.

THE

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PHILADELPHIA, PA.
Dec. 6, 1918.

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The only State in the World Where the Negro rules.

Help it live by suporting our Missionaries.

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L. G. JORDAN, SEC., 701 S. 19TH ST., PHILADELPHIA, Pa.

2/15/19

TO THE BAPTIST MINISTERS' CONFERENCE.

Gentlemen: 191

I have been asked to write you and request that you change the following letter and mail at once to the U. S Commissioners, Versailles, France. Change the wording, but keep the idea. To, His Excellency Pres. Woodrow Wilson, Hon. Robert Lansing, Sec'y of State, Hon. Henry White, Gen T. H. Bliss, and Colonel E. M. House.

LETTER.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of citizens of citizens held this--day of Dec. 1918, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas-Liberia, the little Negro State in West Africa, was founded in 1821 by American citizens, aided by the American Colonization Society (an organization designed to help them start life in that new country) and,

Whereas-Other Americans have gone there from year to year for almost one-hundred years until there is quite 40,000,000 Americans and their children among the 3,000,000 Aboriginees, and,

Whereas-The Bovernments of Great Briton and France for one reason and another, have from time to time exacted strips of land off of this little country, changing its bounderies until it is now hardly as large as the state of Ohio, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that, We most respectfully petition our Commissioners representing our Government at the Peace Conference, in France, in the re-adjusting of African territories to have the bounderies of Liberia made as they were before they lost territory to the French and English Gov'ts.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that We respectfully petition our Commissioners to favor restoring all African territory captured from the Germans by the Allies to the Africans, the original owners, and that said territory be nationalized and made protectorates of some one or more of the Allied nations.

We most earnestly and prayerfully petition our Commissioners to heed these, our prayers for the oppressed in Africa, who did their part to win Democracy for the whole world, themselves included.

With very great respect, we are

_____ Pres.

_____ Sec'y.

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THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 9, 1918

11:30 O'CLOCK

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1. Processional—"America the Beautiful"....(Audience Standing)
2. Chorus—"The Heavens are Telling .....Haydn
3. Prayer .....Rev. E. M. Brawley, D. D
   Pastor White Rock Baptist Church
4. They Went Astray .....Vincent
   Mesdames Nell Hunter, Bessie G. King
5. Commencement Address .....Rev. Cortland Myers, D. D.
   Pastor Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.
6. Chorus—"By the Waters of Babylon" .....S. Coleridge Taylor
7. Presentation of Diplomas.....Gen. Julian S. Carr
   Chairman of Board of Trustees
8. Jubilee Chorus—"March On"
9. Presentation of Prizes for Oratory.....Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
   Editor of Crisis, New York City
10. Presentation of General Prizes..His Honor, Judge Jeter C. Pritchard
    United States Circuit Court, Richmond, Va.
11. President's Parting Address and Presentation of Bibles.
12. Reading of Honors.
13. Remarks by Visitors.
14. Announcements.
15. "Hallelujah Chorus .....G. F. Handel
16. Closing Prayer and Benediction.....Rev. R. Spiller, D. D.
    Pastor Mt. Vernon Baptist Church

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The Volkamenia Club Prize for Excellency in Speaking-Non Original Work, First Prize $5.00 in gold.....Frank McWilliams

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Box 1016. Ancon, Canal Zone
February 20, 1918.

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My Dear Dr. DuBois

Sincere greeting on this your Fiftieth birthday, I take great pleasure in wishing you many happy returns of the glorious day; and earnestly pray that God will spare your noble and useful life, giving you health, strength, and wisdom, in order to continue the great and hazardous task, that you are unselfishly, and successfully pursuing for the benefit of the Negro Race. Long live the "Crisis"! Viva de N.A.A.C.P. Viva! our great Race leader Dr. W.E.B. DuBois.

Yours Sincerely
H.L. Nevels

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Editor of "The Crisis"
No. 70 Fifth Avenue
New York City.

March 13, 1918.

Mr. H. L. Nevers,
Box 1016,
Ancon, Canal Zone,

My dear Mr. Nevers:

I thank you very much for your kind letter on the occasion of my fiftieth birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GMP.

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NEWPORT NEWS, VA.,

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July 16, 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

70 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Sir:-

Yours of the 11th received. In reply, I beg to thank you for the interest you have shown in our work, and wish to extend to both you and friend my highest appreciation. We will be more than glad to receive the books and shall make special mention of the same in our bulletin, if you would be so kind as to ship them by express, C. O. D.

Allow me to congratulate you on your recent appointment, but I feel as many of us, that your services at this particular time are badly needed among our people.

Again wishing you success, I remain

Respectfully yours,

J. Gregory Brown.

JGB/R.

"The Spirit with which our soldiers leave America, and their efficiency on the battle fronts of Europe, will be vitally affected by the character of the environment surrounding our military training camps." WOODROW WILSON.

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Back to Dubois

Hutchinson Kansas.,
Feb,20th,1918.

Dr.Dubois;
75th,ave.
New York City.,

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My dear friend and teacher;- I take pleasure in sending to you,greetings on this your 50th,birthday.May another quarter of a Century,be yours to aid,in the uplift,of a fallen race.

My regards,to Mrs.Dubois;enclosed,you will find check, for subscription,for the Crisis for this year.
As ever,yours for success.

Sen. J. Newsome Newsome

28½ South Main st.
Hutchinson Kansas.,

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March 13, 1918.

Mr. J. Newsome,
284 South Main Street,
Hutchinson, Kansas.

My dear Sir:

Let me thank you for your kind words and congratulations in your letter of February 20.

Very sincerely yours,

WRED/CMP.

[NEW YORK STATE - ASSEMBLY]

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ASSEMBLY CHAMBER

STATE OF NEW YORK

ALBANY

William C. Amos
250 West 103rd Street
New York City

January 1918.

REFERRED TO Mr Johnson

RETURN TO DR. DU BOIS

Dr. William E. DuBoise,
New York City.

Dear Dr. DuBoise:

I introduced on January 9th a bill to add the 22nd day of September to the list of New York State legal holidays. This is the anniversary of the emancipation of the negroes and is known as Emancipation Day. I think that it is fitting at this time that such a holiday should be created. It will memoralize what in my mind is the highest and holiest achievement of our government, and it will serve as well to call the attention of the people of the Empire State once each year to its negro citizens, and thus indirectly to all the great questions relating to the welfare and safeguarding of the interests of the members of your race. In other words it will focus the attention of the people of the State, and in this way of the Nation, upon your race and lead to a wider familiarity with your wonderful history, achievements and high destiny.

I suggest, if you may find it consistent and agreeable to do so, that you write to your representative in the State Senate and in the Legislature, and to your Congressman at Washington, and other men holding high public office, urging them to get behind this bill and work for its adoption. I also think you should communicate this information to active members of your race and have them do the same. I am writing a few lines similarly to a number of our mutual friends.

With best wishes,

Yours very truly,

William C. Amos

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State of New York.

No. 22. Int. 22.

IN ASSEMBLY,

January 9, 1918.

Introduced by Mr. AMOS — read once and referred to the Committee on General Laws.

AN ACT

To amend the general construction law, in relation to holidays.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section twenty-four of chapter twenty-seven of the laws of nineteen hundred and nine, entitled "An act relating to construction, constituting chapter twenty-two of the consolidated laws," as amended by chapter one hundred and twelve of the laws of nineteen hundred and nine, is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 24. Holidays; half-holiday. The term holiday includes the following days in each year: the first day of January known as New Year's day; the twelfth day of February, known as Lincoln's birthday; the twenty-second day of February, known as Washington's birthday; the thirtieth day of May, known as

EXPLANATION — Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

memorial day; the fourth day of July, known as independence day; the first Monday of September, known as labor day; *the twenty-second day of September known as emancipation day;* the twelfth day of October, known as Columbus day, and the twenty-fifth day of December, known as Christmas day, and if either of such days is Sunday, the next day thereafter; each general election day and each day appointed by the president of the United States or by the governor of this state as a day of general thanksgiving, general fasting and prayer, or other general religious observances. The term half-holiday includes the period from noon to midnight of each Saturday which is not a holiday.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

January 22, 1918.

Mr. William C. Amos,
250 West 103 Street,
New York City.

My dear Sir:

I have a copy of the bill which you have introduced and I see no objection to its passage. I have, however, outlined to Assemblyman E. A. Johnson a suggestion which might interest you, and be in line with your proposal.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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MR AND MRS CONRAD V NORMAN

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March 8, 1918.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad V. Norman,
1318 Bristow Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Norman:

I appreciate very much your good wishes on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Dear Dr. DuBois:

Arthur D. Butler, M. D., 1918 Asbury Avenue, Evanston, Illinois, would be the man to render you the service indicated in your inquiry relating to the work of colored persons of this city during the period of the war. He was one of my students and would be entirely trustworthy in the undertaking of such a piece of work.

Very truly yours,

J. A. James
Dean

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue, New York.

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December 31, 1918

Mr. J. A. James, Dean,
College of Liberal Arts,
Evanston, Illinois.

My dear Mr. James:

Dr. Du Bois sailed for France, December 1, on a special ship, "The Orizaba," along with a distinguished number of newspaper men.

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Dr. Du Bois will represent The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and THE CRISIS at the Peace Conference. He will also summon a Pan-African Conference, to meet at Paris, and press the question of the African colonies.

In his absence I beg to thank you for your interest and cooperation in the History of the Negro in the Great War.

Very sincerely yours,

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Ring out old shapes of foul disease,

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors

January 7, 1918

The Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People met in the office of the Association, 70 Fifth Avenue, immediately after the close of the Annual Meeting of the Association, Miss Ovington presiding.

Present: Miss Ovington, Mrs. Kelley, Dr. Du Bois, Mr. Studin, Dr. Jones, Miss Wald, Mr. Walling, and the Acting Secretary.

The Acting Chairman stated that the purpose of the meeting was for the election of officers of the Association.

On motion of Mr. Studin, seconded by Mrs. Kelley the following officers were nominated:

President, Mr. Moorfield Storey; Vice-Presidents: Mr. Archibald H. Grimke, Rev. John Haynes Holmes, Bishop John Hurst, Mr. John E. Milholland, Miss Mary White Ovington, Mr. Oswald Garrison Villard; Chairman of the Board of Directors, Major J. E. Spingarn; Treasurer, Mr. Oswald Garrison Villard; Director of Publications and Research, Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois; Field Secretary, Mr. James W. Johnson.

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On motion of Mr. Studin, duly seconded, it was
VOTED, That the Acting Secretary cast one vote for the officers nominated.

The Acting Chairman then took up the matter regarding the Secretaryship of the Association and read a letter from Mr. John R. Shillady. After a brief discussion,
On motion of Miss Wald, seconded by Mrs. Kelley, it was
VOTED, That Mr. Shillady be asked to take the Secretaryship of the Association at a salary of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) a year, with the understanding that he is expected to make every effort to raise money for the Association.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mary White Ovington
Acting Chairman.

James Weldon Johnson
Acting Secretary.

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January 10, 1918

Dear Dr. DU Bois,

We received your cable in time for the Annual Meeting and I gave it out at the Carnegie Hall meeting. At least, as well as I could remember it. Each thought the other had taken it to the Hall.

I am chairman at last, and fell very grand in my new position. I am writing in my little office and I expect this year to be here pretty much office hours. I am giving up all my other work excepting a little at the Civic Club.

We are anxiously waiting for news of the African work and the Soldier. It takes such an unconscionable time for letters to get across the ocean these days. At the Carnegie Hall meeting we took our stand, embodied in your articles, regarding the African situation, and will do nothing more except perhaps to print KAllen s and J.W.Johnson s speeches. If we do that, it will be with the Maclean fund. You remember Mrs. Maclean s African pamphlet? The Negro soldier, however, will be a constant subject for work, and what comes up now is whether the colored officer is to be allowed to keep his rank, entering into the army. We got a letter to-day on this point, and it will be of the greatest help to us when we learn of the status of the Negro officer in France. I am enclosing the material that came to-day.

The Crisis moves along nicely. I hope you will like the Reconstruction article. Miss Faucet and I worked out the plan.

Good luck to you in your work.

Yours,

Mary White Ovington.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors

January 14, 1918.

The January meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was held in the editorial offices of the Crisis, 70 Fifth Avenue, at 3.30 o'clock, pursuant to notice, Miss Ovington presiding.

Present: Miss Ovington, Mrs. Kelley, Mr. Villard, Dr. Jones, Dr. Sinclair, Mr. Kennaday.

Regrets from Major Spingarn, Dr. Holmes, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Loud, Mr. Studin.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved with the following correction:

In the motion made by Mr. Crawford that the Association do not pay the Secretary a salary of more than $5,000 a year, the words "more than" were struck out.

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Report of the Director of Publications and Research:

December, 1917, was the most successful month in the history of the CRISIS. The net paid circulation was 53,750 copies; the net income was $4,061; the cash balance, $531; and the net worth, $8,740. We preceded it with our effort to increase the circulation and have a good chance to approach 75,000.

The following letter has come from the League of Small and Subject Nationalities:

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

The League of Small and Subject Nationalities requests you to present the constitution of the League to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People with the request that delegates be appointed from that body to serve on our Council. We trust that the Association will consider the movement one which will be one of mutual benefit.

With the hope of a favorable consideration and with best wishes for the success of the Conference which you are holding,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Marion A. Smith.

I very strongly recommend that the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People join this League and appoint some person to serve on the Council.

I am speaking to the Boston City Club tonight and am therefore absent from the meeting.

Report accepted and placed on file.

The report of the Treasurer was accepted as sent out and placed on file.

Report of the Acting Secretary:

The report of the Field Secretary given last Monday at the annual meeting of the Association leaves very little to be reported at this meeting.

The Field Secretary went to Boston to attend the dinner to Mr. Storey given by the Boston Branch on January 10. The dinner was attended by about two hundred guests. Sentiments of the high appreciation for Mr. Storey's services were expressed by the several speakers and a parchment scroll beautifully inscribed and signed by the diners and members of the Boston Branch was presented to Mr. Storey. The whole affair was a great success and a very pleasant occasion.

A letter has been received from Mr. E. Burton Ceruti, Attorney for the Los Angeles Branch, in which he states that a try-out was given in Los Angeles, where most moving pictures are made, of a play called "Free and Equal." Mr. Ceruti characterizes this picture as "the most vicious picture I have ever seen. The foreword contained in the 'ad' aroused suspicion which an investigation confirmed. We got busy enlisting the support of the Mayor and other city officials. Together we witnessed the 'tryout'. Neither the City Ordinances nor State Laws enabled the officials to stop the picture; so that it became necessary for us to drive through the City Council a special ordinance, No. 37778, which enabled the City officials to forbid the production. In order that the ordinance might be available for immediate use, it was necessary to attach the emergency clause which required the unanimous vote of the Council. This was quite a feat but it was accomplished." As Mr. Ceruti intimates, this picture will doubtless be placed on exhibition in other cities. The Acting Secretary has therefore sent out a warning to all branches to be on the lookout for the production.

Some weeks ago a letter was received from the Secretary of the Harrisburg Branch stating the case of Dr. W. T. Taylor who had been notified by the War Department to hold himself in readiness for active duty as a medical officer in the army and was later informed that no more colored men would be needed because there were no regiments in which they could serve. The Acting Secretary took up Dr. Taylor's case with Mr. Emmett J. Scott, Special Assistant in the War Department, and on the 9th of this month received from Mr. Scott a letter enclosing a copy of a letter to Dr. Taylor informing him that he will soon be designated for active service.

Regarding the case of the five soldiers who had been sentenced to death in the Houston trial, the Acting Secretary has written to Mr. Grimke at Washington to find out just what the status of these men is before the War Department, in order that the Association might take whatever steps possible before the War Department or the President in behalf of the convicted men.

MEMBERSHIP: The total membership of all branches of the Association to January 1, 1918, is 9,282. This represents an active, bona fide, paid-up membership. This, I am given to understand from the records, is the largest number of such members that the Association has ever had.

RECOMMENDATION FOR CHARTERS: The Acting Secretary recommends that charters be granted the branches at Memphis, Tenn., and Maywood, Ill.

Report accepted and placed on file.

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On motion of Mr. Villard, duly seconded, it was
VOTED, That upon recommendation of the Acting Secretary, charters be granted the branches at Memphis, Tenn., and Maywood, Ill.

The question of the hour of meetings of the Board was brought up and discussed at some length.
On motion of Mr. Villard, duly seconded, it was
VOTED, That the hour of meetings of the Board be changed back to four o'clock.

The Acting Chairman placed before the Board the letter from the League of Small and Subject Nationalities requesting that the Association appoint a delegate to serve on the Council of that organization. The matter was discussed and finally, on motion of Mr. Villard, was laid on the table.

Report of the Crisis Committee:
The Crisis Committee presented to the Board the following resolution:

Voted: That the salary of the Director of Publications and Research be raised to $3600 a year and that as soon as the Crisis Fund can justly afford the expense, the salary of the Director of Publications and Research be raised to $5,000.

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On motion of Dr. Sinclair, duly seconded, it was
VOTED, that the resolution be divided into two parts.
On motion of Mr. Villard, seconded by Mr. Kennaday, it was
VOTED, that the salary of the Director of Publications and Research be raised to $3600 a year.
On motion of Mr. Kennaday, seconded by Dr. Jones, it was
VOTED, That when the returns of the Crisis justify and the Board of Directors deem it justifiable, the salary of the Director of Publications and Research be raised to $5,000 a year.

On motion of Mr. Villard, duly seconded, it was
VOTED, That the salary of Mr. Johnson, Field Secretary, be raised to $3,000 a year.

Mr. Shillady, the newly elected Secretary, was at this time presented to the Board. Mr. Shillady spoke of his plans for raising funds and for carrying out a drive for 50,000 members. It was suggested by Miss Ovington that the drive be known as the "Moorfield Storey Drive."

The question of the Association attacking the status of the Jim Crow car under federal direction was discussed at some length. Mrs. Kelley moved that a committee consisting of Miss Ovington, Mr. Villard, Mr. Shilladay, and Mr. Johnson, take up the matter. Later Mrs. Kelley withdrew her motion in order that a motion covering the same point might be made by Dr. Jones.
On motion of Dr. Jones, duly seconded, it was
VOTED, That a committee consisting of Mr. Villard, Mr. Shilladay, Mr. Johnson, and the Acting Chairman, Miss Ovington, take action on the Jim Crow car question in its relation to federal

management.

It was agreed upon that the Field Secretary go to Washington and gather what information he can on the subject and report later to the Board.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mary White Ovington

Acting Chairman.

James W. Johnson.

Acting Secretary.

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February 5, 1918.

MEMORANDUM TO MR. DILL

The following extract is from the minutes of the January 14, 1918 meeting of the Board of Directors of the N.A.A.C.P.

On motion of Mr. Villard, seconded by Mr. Kennaday it was VOTED that the salary of the Director of Publication and Research be raised to three thousand six hundred dollars ($3,600) a year.

On motion of Mr. Kennaday seconded by Dr. Jones it was VOTED that when the returns of THE CRISIS justify and the Board of Directors deem it justifiable the salary of the Director of Publication and Research be raised to five thousand dollars ($5,000) a year.

I do not think that THE CRISIS can afford yet to pay the three thousand six hundred dollars ($3,600), but I do think and hereby direct that your salary be raised to two thousand four hundred dollars ($2,400) a year.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors

February 11,1918

The February meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was held at the Civic Club, 14 West Twelfth Street, New York, at four o'clock pursuant to notice, Miss Ovington presiding.

Present: Miss Ovington, Mrs. Kelley, Dr. Jones, Mr. Villard, Dr. Holmes.

Regrets from Dr. Cardozo, Prof. Cook.

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On motion of Mrs. Kelley, duly seconded, it was
VOTED, That the reading of the minutes of the last meeting be dispensed with and that they be approved as sent out.

The report of the Treasurer was accepted as sent out.

Report of the Secretary:
Mr. Johnson, Field Secretary, read the report of the Secretary, as follows:

Since the sending of notices for the Board meeting, the Secretary found it possible to secure an invitation to join a committee of the National League on Urban Conditions Among Negroes in appearance before the Secretary of Labor at Washington today and on Tuesday before the Executive Committee of the American Federation of Labor. These appearances are for the purpose of presenting resolutions passed by the Urban League and urging affirmative action thereon. One resolution seeks the appointment of colored men or women in the new bureaus of the Department of Labor having to do with organizing the labor supply of the nation, with housing and transportation of workers, with labor conditions in manufacturing plants, etc.; the other relates to the equal treatment of colored workers by the American Federation of Labor. The opportunity seemed too important to miss, so, with the approval of the Acting Chairman, the Secretary is in Washingtonm despite his desire to meet with the Board.

The following may be reported:

1. The Secretary has been on duty two weeks and is endeavoring rapidly to become familiar with the office and to determine which, among multifarious duties, appear to be most pressing.

2. The new Assistant Secretary, Mr. Walter F. White, of Atlanta, Ga., began work February 1, and is already proving his fitness and adaptability for the work.

3. The Secretary intends at an early date to map out a comprehensive, but practical plan of general administrative organization, to include the definite assignment of specific tasks to the

Assistant Secretary - the collection of definite information and literature of value to the Association on all phases of its work, the preparation of lists (names and addresses) of prominent and influential persons in various fields of public efforts, the indexing of potential givers to the funds of the Association, and the devising of questionnaires to be sent to the Branches covering specific information wanted in the central office.

4. Plans are being made for the Moorfield Storey Drive for 50,000 members and will be pushed at once. Publicity has been provided for in the February Bulletin (to be mailed February 15) and in the March Crisis. (Copy attached.)

The following additional matters may be noted:

1. Earl Neville, a Negro resident of Raleigh, N. C., is in the State Penetentiary charged with having committed a criminal assault upon a white woman. The night following his arrest a mob gathered at the jail bent on lynching him, and the man would have been lynched had it not been for the prompt appearance of Governor Bickett who promised the mob that a special term of court should be called at once and the man tried according to law. The crowd dispersed but the following day made a second attempt to gain possession of the prisoner, but he had been taken to Charlotte, N. C.

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The trial took place on October 8. After deliberating one hour and forty minutes the jury brought in a verdict of guilty, and the man was sentenced to be electrocuted. His counsel has taken an appeal to the Supreme Court and the Secretary of the Raleigh Branch writes us that the case is to be heard at the present sitting of the Court. The Standing Committee on Legal Reserve of the Raleigh Branch writes us that there is grave doubt as to the guilt of Neville and has appealed to the National Office for assistance. The case has been referred to Mr. Studin of our Legal Committee.

2. The Secretary has written a letter to Governor R. G. Pleasant of Louisiana calling attention to the lynching of Jim Hudson, the charge being that he was living with a white woman.

3. The Secretary has also written to Sheriff Lawson of Athens, Tenn., commending him on the performance of his duty as sheriff in upholding the law in the case of Arthur Renfro, accused of an atrocious crime upon a white child.

4. Attached is correspondence between the Secretary's office and W. S. Carter, President of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen.

5. Telegrams and letters have been sent from the National Office to all branches urging that they secure as many signatures as possible to petitions to President Wilson on behalf of the condemned men of the Twenty-fourth Infantry.

6. The Secretary recommends that Miss Randolph's salary be made $1,000 annually (at present it is $900), her position to be Office Secretary.

Matters pending - to be given attention promptly:

1. Finance. Plans must be made to secure an adequate income. This will require effort and time.

2. Working of federal Aid to Vocational and Agricultural Education. (Smith-Hughes Bill, in effect July 1, 1917.) The Secretary will inquire into this while in Washington.

3. Federal Aid to Elementary Education. (Cooperate with the

National Child Labor Committee.)

4. Planning publicity methods for as regular a news service as possible.

5. Further action on Jim Crow matters.

6. Action on Disfranchisement.

7. Matters dealt with at Mid-Winter Conference.

Report accepted and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Villard, seconded by Dr. Holmes, it was VOTED, That the recommendation of the Secretary regarding Miss Randolph be adopted and that her salary be $1,000 a year.

Report of the Field Secretary:

On Tuesday night, January 15, the Field Secretary addressed a meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew at St. Philip's Church in Harlem, on the occasion of their annual dinner. Fifty odd men were present and enthusiastically pledged themselves to cooperate with the Association in its work.

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On January 18 the Field Secretary went to Washington to confer with members of the Washington Branch regarding the advisability and manner of taking up the Jim Crow car question, under the changed status of the railroads under government control. The Field Secretary reported on this trip to a committee composed of Mr. Villard, Miss Ovington, Dr. Du Bois, Mr. Shillady and himself, this committee having been named at the last meeting of the Board of Directors to take steps in the matter.

While in Washington the Field Secretary called at the War Department twice and conferred with Mr. Emmett J. Scott concerning the five soldiers of the Twenty-fourth Infantry now under sentence of death for participation in the Houston affair. Mr. Scott stated that he would like to have in his hands as many strong petitions as possible to present to the President through the Secretary of War.

On his return to New York the Field Secretary sent out a letter to all branches urging that the officers of each branch send a letter in the name of the Branch and that they urge as many individuals as possible to send telegrams and letters.

Before leaving Washington the Field Secretary addressed the Bethel Literary on the work of the Association.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the New York Branch, it was decided that the Branch would endeavor to secure a petition of ten thousand or more names to be sent to the President at Washington asking that he extend clemency to the men now under sentence of death and to those who have already been convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment. At this meeting it was also suggested that the National Office notify all branches of the action which had been taken by the New York Branch and urge that they do likewise. A copy of the New York Branch petition was sent as a model.

On Sunday, February 10, the New York Branch held a very successful mass meeting at the Palace Casino in Harlem. The speakers were Rev. George Frazier Miller, Dr. John Haynes Holmes, Mr. Shillady, and Miss Nannie H. Burroughs of Washington. The meeting was largely attended and quite enthusiastic. A number of new members were added to the rolls. The petitions to the President

regarding the men of the Twenty-fourth were distributed at this meeting and each person present took one with the promise of having it filled out and returned to the officers of the Branch by Monday of next week.

Report accepted and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Villard, duly seconded, it was

VOTED, that the resignation of Mr. Arthur B. Spingarn from the Legal Committee be accepted with regret and with the thanks of the Association for Mr. Spingarn's splendid services as Chairman of that Committee.

On motion of Mr. Villard, duly seconded, it was

VOTED, That Mr. Studin be elected Chairman of the Legal Committee. The motion contained the request that Mr. Studin at his earliest convenience complete the membership of the Committee.

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Report of the Committee on Jim Crow Cars:

A meeting of the Committee was held in the Secretary's office on Wednesday, February 6, at 5 P. M., those present being Mr. Villard, Miss Ovington, the Secretary, and the Field Secretary.

After discussion in regard to the subject of Jim Crow cars, the following resolution was adopted:

That an open letter be written to the President protesting against the continuance of Jim Crow cars while the railroads are under federal management.

Agreed that this letter would be drafted by Mr. Villard and that copies of it would be sent out by the Secretary to the press of the country, and that personal letters would be sent to the editors of these papers, including the South.

It was further agreed that an inquiry would be made among the branches concerning the operation of the Jim Crow car laws and to all branches an urgent request for information concerning railway discrimination against colored people.

Mr. Villard further reported for the Committee on Jim Crow cars that it was possible that nothing practical could be done except placing the matter before the country and gaining publicity. This object, he hoped, would be obtained through the letter which he is to draft to the President.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mary W. Ovington
Acting Chairman.

James Weldon Johnson
Acting Secretary.

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To the Editor: The following news story is sent you without charge and the accuracy of the statements herein made is guaranteed. JOHN R. SHILLADY, Secretary.

February 25, 1918.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 70 Fifth Avenue, New York, through its Secretary, John R. Shillady, makes public the following telegram to Governor Tom C. Rye of Tennessee and to the Mayor of Memphis, Tenn., urging that vigorous action be taken by the Governor and by the Mayor of Memphis to insure punishment according to law of a Negro who killed one policeman and mortally wounded another last Saturday morning at Memphis, and that the authorities of Tennessee take every precaution to avoid a repetition of the Estill Springs torturing and burning on the 12th inst., when a colored man, Jim M'Ilheron, was done to death by a mob of 1500:

February 25, 1918.

Honorable Tom C. Rye, Governor,
Nashville, Tennessee.

We are advised Negro killed one policeman, mortally wounded another Memphis Saturday morning. Police and posse searching county for slayer. Urge you take vigorous action to insure punishment according to law and prevent repetition of Estill Springs, Dyersburg and Memphis. Implore you do not wait until request for help comes from local authorities. Previous Tennessee experiences show local authorities cannot be relied upon to protect Negroes against mob violence.

(Signed) John R. Shillady, Secretary
National Association for Advancement of Colored People

The Mayor,
Memphis, Tennessee.

We are advised Negro killed one policeman, mortally wounded another at Memphis Saturday morning. Slayer should be punished according to law. Urge you take extraordinary precautions to avoid repetition of Estill Springs, Dyersburg and previous Memphis lynchings and burnings.

(Signed) John R. Shillady, Secretary
National Association for Advancement of Colored People.

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March 1, 1918.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, through its Secretary, John R. Shillady, has addressed the following communication to Congressman Benjamin Johnson of Kentucky, Chairman of the Committee appointed by Congress to investigate the East St. Louis riots, in which between one hundred and two hundred Negroes were shot, burned and hanged, in July, 1917, at East St. Louis, in which six thousand Negroes were driven from their homes, and in which at least $400,000 worth of property was destroyed. A similar letter protesting against the non-publication of the Committee's report was sent to Hon. Champ Clark, Speaker of the House. The letter follows:

February 28, 1918.

Hon. Benjamin Johnson,
Chairman, Congressional Committee on
East St. Louis Riots,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

We are informed that in the Congressional Record of February 4 you are quoted as saying that it would not be necessary to print a full report of the investigation of your Committee in the East St. Louis riots because to do so would require an expenditure of about five thousand dollars. This Association, composed of representative citizens of both races deeply interested in the welfare of the nation and of the colored people, most respectfully but earnestly requests that your Committee recommend to Congress that a complete report of your investigation of the East St. Louis riots be published that it may be accessible to the citizens of the country at large. The Congressional File Room, we would remind you, is accessible to only a small proportion of the citizens of the country, both white and colored, who are interested in the findings of your Committee. It would, in our judgment, be indefensible for Congress, since it authorized this investigation, to refuse to print a full account of the testimony and findings. This investigation was ordered for the purpose of getting at the facts and fixing the blame for the horrors that resulted from the mob violence which prevailed. Six thousand Negroes were driven out of their homes, many were deliberately murdered by shooting, burning and hanging, and, according to an investigation made by this Association, approximately $400,000 worth of property belonging to both races, whites and Negroes, was burned and destroyed.

The country will not be satisfied by anything less than full publicity.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) JOHN R. SHILLADY
Secretary

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To the Editor: **The following news story is sent you without charge and the accuracy of the statements herein made is guaranteed. JOHN R. SHILLADY, Secretary.**

March 1, 1918

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Law and Order League to Suppress Lynching Organized at Nashville, Tenn.

Sunday afternoon, February 24, at Wilson Auditorium of the Y.M.C.A., Nashville, Tenn., there was organized by leading white citizens a Law and Order League for the suppression of lynch law. The meeting of the 24th followed a preliminary meeting of February 17 when a committee of seven, consisting of Dr. Edwin Mims, chairman, Judge George N. Tillman, Dr. Cary E. Morgan, C. A. Craig, Bruce R. Payne, P. D. Maddin and Lee J. Loventhal, was appointed to draft resolutions and to submit a plan of action to the meeting of the 24th. The meeting on the 24th was called to order by Chancellor J. H. Kirkland of Vanderbilt University who nominated Judge George N. Tillman as chairman of the meeting. The meeting was attended, according to the Nashville Banner of the 25th inst., which contains a full account of the proceedings, by the foremost men in education, business and professional life of Nashville, including Judge Samuel Cole Williams of the Supreme Court, Mayor Gupton of Nashville, and many others. The resolutions adopted occupied nearly three columns in the Nashville Banner of February 25 and are signed by ninety-six leading citizens of Nashville.

The Law and Order League is to be incorporated as a general welfare corporation, the specific purposes of the corporation being outlined as follows:

"The organization shall be known as the Law and Order League.

"The objects of the league shall be to bring about a campaign

of education and by all other lawful means, the development of a sound public sentiment that will lead to the prompt and certain enforcement of existing laws for the prevention and punishment of crime.

"To aid in the preparation and enactment of whatever new laws may be necessary for securing early and effective punishment of crime and the maintenance of law and order.

"To create and arouse a more active public sentiment in the young and old in favor of enforcement of law and to combat the evils of lawlessness.

"To cultivate a spirit of higher respect for the majesty of the law, for the officers by whom and the agencies by which it is administered and to uphold the officers of the law in the performance of their duties.

"To hold public meetings, prepare and distribute literature, provide lectures, and to urge the pulpit, press and schools to stress the necessity for the suppression of crime and the maintenance of law and order, to the end that mob violence and at least the more serious crimes shall be condemned by public sentiment and certainly punished by the established processes of the law.

"The activities of this league shall be absolutely non-political - except in the direct advancement of the objects of its organization."

The following excerpts from the resolutions are submitted:

"We protest with all the emphasis we can command against atrocities that are too barbaric to be recited. We condemn any official who may be held responsible for the overthrow or non-enforcement of law. But we are forced to confess that the silence of the best people in the presence of this distressing situation and their unwillingness to grapple with it have helped to produce the conditions out of which have sprung lawless and frenzied mobs and timid officers of the law. We believe that

the overwhelming sentiment of the citizens of this community and state is against this betrayal of law and order, but it needs to be organized into definite action. If we do not do something we realize that what has happened in other places is just as likely to happen in Nashville or any other community any day. As for ourselves, we will be silent no longer. We not merely protest, but are resolved to do our utmost to prevent such catastrophies in the future.

"We have a strong conviction that lynching is unjustifiable under any and all circumstances, and is wrong in the sight of man and God. Whatever may be said of a certain wild justice in pioneer days, or of conditions that prevailed after the Civil War, we cannot now defend lynching. We must condemn it at all times, and especially since it has become associated with the monstrous orgies of later days. If one group of men decides that lynching is justifiable for one crime, another will decide that it is equally justifiable for another, and so on, until, as the facts established, it is resorted to for every sort of crime or offense. Reliable statistics show that only about one-fourth of the lynchings in recent years have been for the crime of rape. Nor are the victims confined to the Negro race, for white men and women have been lynched as well. A mob knows no reason, makes no distinction and sets no limit upon its passion. Mob violence is a contagious social disease, and instead of deterring crime it incites it. Lawlessness begets lawlessness. If lynchings occurred in every state, it would be none the less serious in any community. The fact that it has become a national menace should not weaken or mitigate local efforts against the practice."

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"While public sentiment is thus being educated, we shall

use every opportunity to bring to bear upon responsible officers the pressure of organized public opinion. We will uphold them in their enforcement of law. We request judges to make mob law a special subject of instruction to all grand juries. We urge sheriffs to prepare for any emergency that may arise. We notice in the newspapers that the judge and attorney-general of that district have already taken steps to investigate the most recent lynching in this state. They must be aware of the provisions of the ouster law of 1915, that allows them, or any ten citizens of the county in which the lynching occurs, to institute proceedings to oust any officer who fails to do his duty. The same law provides that the governor shall have power, and it shall be his duty, whenever he has knowledge that reasonable grounds exist for the proceedings authorized by this act against any state, county or municipal officer, to ask the attorney-general of the state, the district attorney, as the case may be, to institute and prosecute the same against the offending officer. This law has been construed by the Supreme Court to be applicable to sheriffs, and in the case of Sheriff Reichman of Shelby County, it was held that unless the sheriff uses all means provided by law to enforce the law, he has failed in his duty. It is apparent that it is just as much the sheriff's duty to protect human life and keep down mob violence as it is to prevent the sale of liquor. It is also worthy of note that the Supreme Court has held that the officer is not entitled to trial by jury, but the proceedings are summary in character and the judge himself can render judgment on the facts."

The resolutions further "earnestly invite the cooperation of the colored race," and refer to the unfortunate "impression (which) prevails with some that Negroes tend to expend their

indignation against the crime of lynching and to lose sight of the crime which often leads to lynching. We insist that the condemnation of the cause shall be as unqualified as the condemnation of the consequences. The attitude of the Negro toward the Negro criminal is often too protective and that of the whites too retaliatory." Then follows an appeal to the leaders of both races to "obliterate the condemnation and pun-ishment of those who as individuals or as communities, would take law into their own hands."

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has addressed a letter to the officers of the new Law and Order League advising them of its accord with their purposes and reminding them that as an organization it ought not to wait until the next outrage occurs but that they should see to it that prompt and effective action is taken by the Governor and the authorities of Tennessee to bring to justice those who so foully outraged the laws of Tennessee in the Estill Springs horror on February 12.

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MEMORANDUM TO MR. SHILLADY:

In regard to the Labor Bureau I suggest the consideration of the following names:

John Hope: graduate of Brown, President of Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga., well-balanced, keen, absolutely reliable, with wide knowledge of industrial conditions in the South.

H. W. Furniss: former United States Minister to Haiti, well-trained, broad international outlook, conservative.

J. R. Hawkins: Financial Secretary to A. M. E. Church, high character, exact, used to handling large sums of money, wide acquaintance in church circles and former educator.

Mason A. Hawkins: Principal of Baltimore Colored High School, Harvard graduate, with brains, knowledge of social conditions, conciliatory.

John E. Hurst: Bishop of A. M. E. Church, former secretary to Haitian legation, influential man of wide acquaintance and good training.

E. H. Morris: keen lawyer, head of three hundred thousand (300,000) Negro Odd Fellows.

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell: former member of Board of Education for the District of Columbia, graduate of Oberlin, widely known.

R. R. Wright, Jr.; graduate of Chicago, Ph. D., University of Pennsylvania, student of economics and sociology, good business man with wide experience with Negro artisans, best man for advisory council.

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RELEASED FOR WEDNESDAY MORNING PAPERS, MARCH 6, 1918:

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The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People today sent to Governor R. G. Pleasant of Louisiana the following telegram of protest against the lynching of three Negroes by white farmers near Delhi, La., on Tuesday, February 26, the affair growing out of an accusation of hog-stealing. The Association's Secretary, John R. Shillady, characterized the lynching as an indefensible attack upon the morale of the nation and as affecting national prestige abroad.

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Hon. R. G. Pleasant, Governor,
Baton Rouge, La.

Press dispatches in New York papers report that three Negroes whose names were given as Jim Lewis, Jim Jones and Will Powell, were lynched near Delhi, La., Tuesday, February 26, as the outgrowth of trouble between whites and Negroes, the lynched colored men having been accused of stealing hogs. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, composed of representative citizens of both races, most emphatically protests against this defiant disregard of the laws of your State and against this indefensible attack upon the morale of this nation at a time when justice and law enforcement at home are essential to national prestige abroad. We protest not only in the name of our ninety branches and ten thousand members for whom we speak directly but in the name of the law-abiding citizens of the whole country who feel chagrined, humiliated and outraged that in the states of our nation mobs are allowed to take the law into their own hands and wreak vengeance upon men because they happen to be black.

These outrages, we would remind you, are not a matter of state concern alone but affect the whole nation. Such acts as this

mob lynching because of alleged hog-stealing put the President and the United States in a most embarrassing and difficult position when the executive of the country seeks to protest, however rightfully, against outrages committed in Belgium or Armenia.

This is the second Louisiana lynching reported within thirty days by the press of the country. No reply has as yet been made by you to our inquiry of February 6 for information as to any action you might deem fitting to take in the circumstances of a Negro lynched on January 26. For the information of the newspapers of the country which receive our regular press service, we inquire what action you as Governor propose to take to uphold the laws of Louisiana.

(Signed) John R. Shillady, Secretary
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People.

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March 7, 1918.

REPORT OF JOHN R. SHILLADY, SECRETARY, TO THE ANTI-LYNCHING COMMITTEE

Concerning the Activities of the National Office in Regard to Lynchings from February 1 to March 6, 1918, Inclusive.

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ESTILL SPRINGS LYNCHING AND BURNING.

On February 12, 1918, Jim M'Ilheron was burned at the stake at Estill Springs, Franklin County, Tenn., for shooting two white men and seriously wounding another on February 8. The action of the National Office thereon is summarized as follows:

1. February 13: In the Secretary's absence in Washington a telegram prepared by Mr. Villard was sent to the President and given to the Associated Press. (Copy attached - Exhibit A.)

2. February 14: The Secretary wired Governor Rye of Tennessee from Washington. Copy furnished the Associated Press in Washington. (See Paragraph 5 .)

3. February 14: President Wilson's Secretary, Mr. Tumulty, acknowledged Association's telegram of the 13th and said the matter was referred to the Attorney General.

4. February 15: Assistant Secretary (Mr. White) sent to Estill Springs on investigating trip. Left morning of 16th.

5. February 15: Secretary wrote to Governor Rye repeating the telegram of previous date and asking, for the information of newspapers receiving our press service, what the State of Tennessee proposed to do in regard to the violators of her law. Press story regarding this letter and the President's reference of the matter to the Attorney General given to the press. (Copy attached - Exhibit B.)

6. February 16: Wired commendatory messages to the Chattanooga Daily Times, and Nashville Banner because of strong editorials in these papers condemning the outrage; similar wire to the Rev. H. C. McDowell, Chattanooga, whose letter appeared in the Tennessee papers.

7. February 18: Received letter from United States Attorney General that the federal government had no authority. Using this statement as an opening, the Secretary again addressed the President on the matter. (Copy given to the press - Exhibit C.)

8. February 19: Letters were written to United States Senators John K. Shields and Kenneth McKellar of Tennessee and Representative John A. Moon in whose district the lynching occurred, all letters addressed to Washington, D. C. Eight letters were sent to commercial organizations of Chattanooga, Knoxville, McMinnville, Memphis and Nashville on the same subject. Press story on above. (Exhibit D.)

9. February 19: At an audience granted representatives of the New York Branch to present a petition requesting clemency for the convicted men in the Houston affair, Mr. Johnson took occasion as spokesman to refer to the Estill Springs case. President Wilson said that he had not heard of the case and expressed a disbelief in the facts as stated by Mr. Johnson. (The Secretary proposes, when the full statement of the case is prepared, to submit the matter again to the President.)

10. February 25: Acknowledgment of the Secretary's letter of February 15 received from Governor Rye (dated February 21). Governor Rye's letter given to the press. (Exhibit E.)

11. February 26: Full Statement of all steps taken by the Association and copies of press stories sent out from the National Office were sent to Mr. H. H. Bentley, Secretary of the Memphis, Tenn., Branch.

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12. February 27: Acknowledgment of Secretary's telegram received from Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce. Clipping of an editorial from the Nashville Banner of February 18 received in envelope of Commercial Club, Nashville. No further acknowledgments received.

Report of Assistant Secretary on Reelfoot Springs lynching now in course of preparation; will be ready to submit to the meeting of the Board of Directors on the 11th and mailed to the members of the Anti-Lynching Committee prior to that date.

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COLLATERAL MATTER CONCERNING THE REELFOOT SPRINGS LYNCHING.

Press Stories and Editorial Comment.

Daily the Secretary has purchased copies of the Tennessee papers from February 13 to date and has noted the news stories, editorial comment and letters to the editors. There has been general condemnation by the Tennessee papers varying in vigor. Up to date only one letter to an editor which might be an apology for the affair has been noticed. This was anonymous and signed "Women of Reelfoot Springs," and called attention to the fact that the women of the community did not want the lynching to occur so that it could be seen by women and children. There was reference also to Wilberon's crime. Strong letters of protest have been written to the editors, notably among which is that of Bishop Gailor of Tennessee(white Episcopal).

Organization of Law and Order League.

On February 24 a Law and Order League to Suppress Lynching was organized at Nashville, Tenn., composed of representative and leading citizens of the city. Accounts given of this League state that it proposes to extend its activities throughout the South.

On March 1 a letter was addressed to the editors of Friendly papers, New York papers, Southern papers, and Colored papers, accompanied by a five-page statement concerning the organization of this League and its principles as taken from the Nashville Banner of February 25, with a request for editorial comment. (Exhibit F.)

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EFFORTS TO PREVENT LYNCHING - MEMPHIS, TENN.

On February 25 a telegram was received from a member of the Executive Committee of the Memphis Branch stating that a colored man had murdered a policeman and dangerously wounded another and requesting action by the National Office to prevent lynching by a mob which was said to be in pursuit of the murderer.

On February 25 telegrams were sent to the Governor of Tennessee and to the Mayor of Memphis. Copies of these telegrams were given to the press. (Exhibit G.)

LOUISIANA LYNCHINGS.

1. Press dispatches reported the lynching near Benton, La., January 26 of Jim Hudson "accused of living with a white woman."

1. February 6: Letter of protest was sent to the Governor of Louisiana (R. G. Pleasant).

2. Lynching of three men near Delhi, La. Press dispatches reported that these men were accused of hog-stealing.

February 4: Night letter was sent to the Governor of Louisiana concerning case. Press story in regard to the above. (Exhibit H.)

A clipping from the Shreveport Journal of March 1, sent by a correspondent, states that "five blacks are said to be dead in lynching bee," and gives further details of the affair.

(NOTE: ALL PRESS STORIES WERE SENT TO THREE PRESS ASSOCIATIONS - ASSOCIATED PRESS, UNITED PRESS ASSOCIATIONS, AND THE INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE - BY MESSENGER WHEN NECESSARY TO REACH THEM IN TIME.) THIS, OF COURSE, WAS IN ADDITION TO STORIES MAILED TO INDIVIDUAL PAPERS.

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FAYETTEVILLE (GA.) LYNCHING.

While Assistant Secretary White was investigating the Estill Springs lynching, a lynching occurred at Fayetteville, Ga. The Secretary being in touch with Mr. White and finding that he was in the vicinity, authorized him to investigate Fayetteville. Mr. White's report is in process of preparation and will be submitted at the Director's meeting on the 11th and mailed in advance to the Anti-Lynching Committee.

EAST ST. LOUIS RIOTS.

1. The Chicago Defender, a colored newspaper, reported in a recent issue that Congressman Benjamin Johnson, Chairman of the Congressional Investigating Committee of the East St. Louis riots, had said that the report of his committee need not be published as it would cost $5,000 to publish it, and it would be accessible in the Congressional File Room.

2. February 28: Letters were addressed to the Chairman and to all members of the Congressional Investigating Committee and to the Speaker of the House urging publication of the full report. Press story on the above. (Exhibit I.)

3. Letter written to the Chicago Defender commending its action in giving publicity to this matter.

4. March 5: Acknowledgment of the Secretary's letter received from Speaker Clark who stated that Congressman Johnson had called up the report on East St. Louis and asked that it be published, but that objection from Congressman Dyer made such action impossible.

5. March 6: Letter sent to Congressman Dyer stating what the Speaker of the House had said and inquiring whether this was correct and the reasons therefor.

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Bundy Case.

In response to a request for information sent by Mr. Johnson to the St. Louis Branch, a telegram dated February 26 was received from Charles A. Pitman, Chairman of the Executive Committee, stating that the case was set for trial March 18; that Bundy's bond had been reduced from $24,000 to $13,000; that his attorney fees were $2300 of which the Branch had paid $882. The telegram further stated that the St. Louis Branch will continue its support until acquital, that there was considerable need for funds, and requested that other branches send funds to the New York Office. It was further stated that Missouri and Illinois lawyers would associate with Mr. Nagel.

On March 6 Mr. Studin telephoned that he had received a telegram from Mrs. Bundy stating the date of the trial and that there were no lawyers and no money. Mr. Johnson read Mr. Pitman's telegram to Mr. Studin and wired Mr. Pitman today regarding Mrs. Bundy's statement.

State of the Bundy Fund is as follows:

Receipts specifically for Bundy Fund.....	$ 757.00
Remitted to St. Louis Branch.....	200.00
Balance.....	$ 557.00

Other receipts, East St. Louis Fund.....$551.35
Spent by National Office (investigation)..... 1206.44

A statement of the need of funds will be made in the Branch Bulletin to be mailed within a few days.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Shillady
Secretary.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors

March 11, 1918.

The March meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was held in the editorial offices of the Crisis, 70 Fifth Avenue, New York, at four o'clock, pursuant to notice, Miss Ovington presiding.

Present: Miss Ovington, Mrs. Kelley, Dr. Jones, Mr. Kennaday, Mr. Studin, Mr. Walling, the Secretary and the Field Secretary.

Regrets from Mr. Wilson, Miss Wald, Mr. Grimké, Dr. Waller, Dr. Holmes. (Mr. Villard is in California until April 6.)

The minutes of the February meeting were approved without reading.

The report of the Treasurer was accepted as sent out.

Report of the Secretary:
The following report was submitted (though not read in full) by the Secretary.

1. ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL OFFICE IN REGARD TO LYNCHING AND MOB VIOLENCE MATTERS:

The Secretary reported in detail to the Anti-Lynching Committee on March 7. The substance of the report will be found in the April Crisis.

2. RE COLORED REPRESENTATION IN WORKING OUT OF NATIONAL WAR EMERGENCY LABOR PROGRAM:

February 11-26 the Secretary was in Washington in conference with Assistant Secretary of Labor Post, the Advisory Council to the Secretary of Labor, and Secretary of Labor Wilson. On the former date the conference was with the Assistant Secretary only, as a result of which a letter was drafted to the Secretary of Labor setting forth the views of the Committee whose names were signed thereto regarding the desirability of the cooperation of the colored people of the nation in the war emergency labor program of the Department of Labor through appropriate agencies and means which were suggested in the letter. The Committee proposed (1) that a representative colored man be appointed a member of the Advisory Council to the Secretary of Labor or to any policy making or policy recommending body which might succeed it; (2) that there be created within the Department an advisory bureau on Negro labor problems in charge of a colored man, expert on such questions, to which bureau would be referred for advice and investigation all matters affecting colored workmen. The letter to the Secretary was signed by Thomas Jesse Jones, Educational Director of the John F. Slater Fund; Robert R. Moton and Emmett J. Scott, Principal and

Secretary of Tuskegee Institute; L. Hollingsworth Wood and Eugene Kinckle Jones, President and Secretary of the National League on Urban Conditions Among Negroes; J. H. Dillard, Director of the Anna T. Jeanes Fund; and John R. Shillady.

The Committee, of which the Secretary was one of the spokesmen (the letter submitted to the Secretary of Labor having been drafted by him) was well received. It has since been learned through the press that favorable consideration was given to at least one of our proposals (number 2 above) and that the Advisory Council to the Secretary of Labor had recommended the creation of such a bureau. Press dispatches further state that Secretary Wilson had announced that he would make an appointment of a colored man as head of such a bureau. The representatives of the Committee have not yet been officially advised of such action.

3. RE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR AND COLORED WORKMEN:

On February 12 the Secretary appeared as one of a committee who addressed the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor on invitation. The committee consisted of George W. Harris, Editor of the New York News; E. K. Jones, Secretary of the Urban League; Dr. R. R. Moton, Principal of Tuskegee Institute; Emmett J. Scott, Secretary of Tuskegee Institute and Special Assistant to the Secretary of War in matters involving colored people; Fred R. Moore, Editor of the New York Age; Thomas Jesse Jones, Educational Director of the Slater Fund; and the Secretary..

After discussion the Committee, being well received by the Council, proposed that the Executive Council appoint a committee to meet with a committee of five representing all the organizations interested in colored people, and that this joint committee take up matters concerning colored workmen and the A. F. of L., particularly discriminations against colored people.

4. RE BROTHERHOOD OF LOCOMOTIVE FIREMEN AND ENGINEMEN (labor union) IN RE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST COLORED FIREMEN (refusal to admit to membership)

The Secretary has had correspondence with the President and Acting President of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen introduced by him in a letter of February 2 calling attention to an article in the official magazine of the Brotherhood in which the charge was made that the railroads were introducing colored laborers to depress the conditions of white workmen, and including several letters on each side, the last being from the Brotherhood under date of March 6. In this letter the Brotherhood defended their position of excluding colored men and suggested that the Association participate in the organization of colored firemen into a union of their own, and alluded to a recent arbitration affecting colored firemen in which a member of the Board was alleged to be one of the arbitrators.

5. CONFERENCE WITH SECRETARY OF WAR.

While in Washington February 11-14 the Secretary had a conference with the Secretary of War and with Mr. Keppel, Confidential Assistant to the Secretary. The matters taken up with the Secretary related to the status of the Colonel Young case, discrimi-

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nations in the army service, i.e., a disproportionate number of colored soldiers in industrial battalions rather than in combatant service; the question whether colored officers or soldiers would be forced into Jim Crow cars in the South while on official business; the Houston case.

The impression was gathered that the Department would do all it could to make a favorable decision in the Colonel Young case.

Mr. Baker alleged that General Pershing was transferring colored soldiers rapidly to combatant service but that he could not furnish me with numbers. The Secretary stated that he would take no action regarding the Jim Crow car question, repeating his well known attitude that his job was to get the largest and best army he could to France; that he was not going to deal with the race question.

The Department was active, through Mr. Scott, in assembling data in the matter of the Twenty-fourth Infantry involving the Houston affair.

6. CONFERENCE WITH SECRETARY TO FEDERAL ADMINISTRATOR GENERAL OF RAILROADS RE STATUS OF JIM CROW CAR:

Mr. McAdoo's Secretary, Mr. Oscar J. Price, said in reply to inquiry by the Secretary, that the Director General had no authority in the matter of the Jim Crow Car, that State laws were still in force and that the remedy was a Congressional one; that cases regarding soldiers were up to the War Department and were not being dealt with by the Director General. The Secretary endeavored to secure facts both from the Director General's office and the Interstate Commerce Commission as to the number of colored people carried in the South on Jim Crow cars. As was to be expected, no such data was available.

7. JIM CROW DISCRIMINATION AGAINST COLORED ARMY OFFICER TRAVELING ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

On March 6 a letter was received from Mr. George W. Crawford, a director and from Mr. Villard, regarding the case of Lieutenant C. A. Tribbett, 367th Infantry, who was taken from a Pullman car at Chickasha, Okla., upon his refusal to go into a day coach "for niggers." Lieutenant Tribbett made a full statement

of the case in a letter to Mr. Crawford, a copy of which Mr. Crawford forwarded to the National Office. On March 8 the Secretary addressed a letter to the Secretary of War regarding this case quoting fully from Lieutenant Tribbett's letter to Mr. Crawford. (Since the meeting acknowledgment has been received from Mr. Keppel Confidential Clerk to Mr. Baker, stating that the matter has to do with the execution of the State law, but that he has referred it to the Judge Advocate General of the Army for consideration.) (Mr. Baker is now in France.)

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8. EFFORT TO SECURE PUBLICATION OF TESTIMONY (in full) TAKEN BY CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE ON EAST ST. LOUIS RIOTS:

Noting from a press dispatch that Chairman Scott of Johnson of the Investigating Committee on the East St. Louis had stated in the Congressional Record of February 4 that it was not necessary to publish the full testimony of the hearings conducted by his committee, urging that to do so would cost $5100, that the Congressional File Room would be available to those who wished to examine the testimony, the Secretary on February 26 addressed a letter to the Chairman, to the members of the committee and to the Speaker of the House, urging full publication of the report. Acknowledgment was received from the Speaker who stated that Chairman Johnson wanted the report published with illustrations but that Mr. Dyer of Missouri objected. A letter of inquiry was addressed to Mr. Dyer on March 8 and the latter replying, stated that he had been trying his best to have Congress publish the testimony but that Chairman Ben Johnson and "Democrats of the House" always objected. Mr. Dyer asked our support to get the full testimony published. Mr. Dyer further stated that he was going to introduce a bill to make lynchings an offense against the United States.

9. RE SPINGARN MEDAL AWARD:

The Committee has agreed on the award of the Spingarn Medal and the Secretary has written to the Providence Branch authorizing them to make necessary arrangements.

10. CONFERENCE WITH MR. EMMETT J. SCOTT ON WAR DEPARTMENT AND NEGRO SOLDIERS:

During the Secretary's trip to Washington he secured from Mr. Emmett J. Scott comprehensive data on matters relating to colored soldiers.

11. SECRETARY ADDRESSED WASHINGTON BRANCH:

The Secretary addressed the Washington Branch on the evening of February 14. His coming was unannounced. There was good attendance and he was well received.

12. PUBLICITY: In addition to Associated Press publicity released by Mr. Villard in re the Association's first telegram of protest to the President the Secretary's office sent out from February 16 to March 7 13 press stories to all press services and to the press generally, as follows. Certain of these stories were sent to all papers, others to friendly and Northern papers. All Tennessee and Louisiana stories went to papers in these states respectively. The colored press received everything.

(1) Seven stories relating to lynchings in Tennessee and Louisiana, (2) one story in re appeals to the Governor of Tennessee and Mayor of Memphis to prevent a lynching. (All of above are alluded to in the report to the Anti-Lynching Committee ~~attached~~.) (3) two stories in re New York Branch's appeal to the President for clemency to condemned 24th Infantrymen (announcement of engagement to general press and full text of Mr. Johnson's address to the President to colored press); (4) one story in re appeal to Congress

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Ben Johnson and Speaker Clark for publication of full testimony in re East St. Louis investigation; (5) one story to colored press in re conference of Urban League and N.A.A.C.P. officers with Bellevue and Allied Hospitals Board of Trustees concerning eligibility of colored internes to appointment on staff of four city hospitals under that Board; (6) one story with photograph re Secretary's appointment.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Field Secretary:

On February 19 the Field Secretary went to Washington as a member of a delegation from the New York Branch to present a petition to the President asking clemency for the five Negro soldiers of the Twenty-fourth Infantry under sentence of death by a second court martial on the Houston affair, and also asking clemency for the forty-one soldiers of the same regiment who were sentenced to life imprisonment by the first court martial. The President received the delegation and granted them a half hour audience. The Field Secretary acted as spokesman and presented the petition which contained nearly twelve thousand names. At the same time he presented a large number of telegrams which had been sent by branches and individuals.

In addition to asking clemency for the condemned and convicted soldiers, the Field Secretary called the President's attention to the recent burnings of Negroes in Tennessee and asked that he say some specific word in condemnation of those outrages.

The President received the delegation cordially and listened attentively. He promised that he would have the records of the cases of the men of the Twenty-fourth reviewed in a favorable light. He also said that he would seek an opportunity to say something definite against lynching. Washington dispatches of February 27 stated that the President had granted a respite to the five condemned soldiers and that the appeals of clergymen and Negro organizations caused the respite.

INVESTIGATION: A complaint was made to this office that the wireless operator on the S.S.S. Saga, plying between New York and Rio Janeiro, had passed himself off as the ship's doctor and made an indecent examination of several colored women who boarded the ship at Barbadoes. The affidavits of these women have been obtained and the matter has been placed in the hands of Mr. Studin.

Julia Baker made a complaint of false arrest and brutal, abusive treatment by a plain clothes policeman. The case was investigated by Mr. White, our Assistant Secretary, and Miss Baker's statement obtained. A complaint will be made to the Police Commissioner.

MEETINGS: The Field Secretary has addressed meetings at Montclair, N. J., the Y.M.C.A. in Harlem, and at the Music School Settlement. He is now planning a tour which will include a visit to all the New England branches, March 12-20; the branches in the vicinity of New York, March 24-April 7; the Western branches as far as Kansas City April 12-May 22. He is scheduled to speak before the Intercollegiate Socialist Society in New York March 23, and at the meeting of the National Conference of Social Work in Kansas City.

NEW BRANCHES: Applications for charter have been received from groups in the following cities: Springfield, Mo., Danville, Va., Portsmouth, Va.; Oklahoma City, Okla. Groups are being organized in

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a number of other cities.

RECOMMENDATION: The Field Secretary recommends that a charter be granted to the group at Oklahoma City, Okla.

Report accepted.

Report of the Director of Publications and Research:

The Director was absent from the February meeting because he received no notice of it and did not know that it was being held. He is absent from the March meeting because of an invitation to speak to a group of students at Vassar College. The Chairman thought it best to keep this engagement.

The auditor's report on THE CRISIS for the year, 1917, was delayed but is now in hand. It shows that the net income for the year was $22,868; the expenses were $31,044; the chief items of revenue were: sales through agents, $19,494; subscriptions, $9,352; advertising $3,279; profit on books, sales, etc., $730. The chief items of expense have been $14,289 for publication; $9,381 for salaries; $2,882 for postage; and $3,134 for general expenses. $778 was written up for bad debts and $115 for depreciation. The net worth of the business December 31 was $8,586.

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The net paid circulation for January was 55,860. The total income was $4,201; the figures for February are as follows:

Published----------	68,000	
Sold----------	64,000	
Due the Crisis for subscriptions, sales and advertising during the month of February		$ 4,242.79
Rec'd on book postage	$ 4.26	
Discounts on publishing	49.84	54.10
Total -		$ 4,296.89

Expenses for the month of February were

Subscriptions	12.75	
Sales	10.41	
Adv. Revenue	.75	
Postage	295.42	
Publishing	1,893.95	
General	346.21	
Salaries	1,067.75	
Stationery & Sup.	132.78	
		3,760.02
Gain in business during February		$ 536.87

Received in cash during the month of February	$ 3,825.90
Expended " " " " " "	3,929.79
Cash balance February 28,1918----------	1,058.31
Indebtedness----------	none
Net worth----------	$ 922.29

THE CRISIS is in excellent condition. Mr. Calloway is still travelling among the agents and we are hoping to have a net paid circulation of one hundred thousand (100,000) this spring. We shall then consider the regular employment of an advertising manager.

There are three matters outside of the Crisis which I would like the Board to consider and on two of them action ought to be taken. I have been in conference with leaders of the new National Party urging them to take a stand on Negro suffrage and provided various planks and consulted with leading colored men throughout the country. I was invited to be present at their convention but the Chairman did not think this advisable if the Association had to pay the travelling expenses. I am glad to say, however, that a plank on Negro suffrage was adopted by the National Party as reported in newspaper clippings.

The League of Small and Subject Nationalities wishes this Association to become one of its constituent members as representing Africa and the Negro race and to appoint a member of the Association on its council. On default of action last time I have acted on the council as representing this Association. If the Association joins this League, and it certainly ought, some appropriation toward the expenses of the League ought to be made. This can be paid at any time and should, I suggest, be about one hundred dollars ($100). Dr. Frederic C. Howe is President of the League and can furnish all information. I should be very glad to have the Association take action on this matter today.

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Mr. James H. Dillard of the Slater Fund has made a proposal of a method of national aid to Negro education which has received the approval of the Department of Superintendents of the National Education Association. As I am saying in THE CRISIS this month, "it is the greatest piece of constructive statesmanship that has come out of the South in fifty years." It is imperative that this Association should get behind this proposal and push it in every way possible. I recommend that action on this matter be taken at this meeting.

Prof. Franklin Johnson of Toronto University, Canada, has prepared a thesis at Columbia on legislation especially affecting the Negro in the North and South. It covers the time since Reconstruction and in the North it covers the whole period of United States history. It is, I believe, a much more accurate piece of work than Stevenson's and it ought to be published. The University, I understand, can only pay two or three hundred dollars toward this publication which will cost about one thousand dollars ($1,000). Prof. Johnson has mentioned the matter to me only incidentally and does not want anything like solicitation. I strongly recommend that the Secretary look into this matter and if he decides that the publication is worthy that he see if some special donor cannot be secured to help the publication. Prof. A. A. Tenny of Columbia University may be consulted.

Report accepted and placed on file

Report of the Legal Committee:

Mr. Studin reported:

1. That he had communicated with the lawyers in the case of Earl Neville, a colored man, sentenced to death on an accusation of attempted rape in Raleigh, N. C., whose case was being heard on appeal and that those lawyers, who were reputable white lawyers of that city, had informed him that everything that could be legally done had been done. (Information from members of the Raleigh Branch, sent to the Executive Office, was to the effect that they believed there were grave doubts as to Neville's guilt, and urged an investigation by a "discreet white person." The Branch felt disinclined to take any steps locally. Editorial comment adverse to the decision of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina appeared in the North Carolina "State", though in somewhat ambiguous language. Execution was set for March 1f.)

2. That he would take up the cases presented by the Field Secretary - that of Miss Baker (charging mis-use by New York plain-clothes officer) and of four women from the Barbadoes subjected to indecent examination by the wireless operator of the ship on which they travelled , posing as the ship's doctor.

3. That he was in touch with developments in the Sundy case.

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Report of the Anti-Lynching Committee

Additional to the Secretary's report of office activities, the Anti-Lynching Committee (Mr. Walling, Chairman) met prior to the Directors' meeting and took action looking toward active publicity work in the South, through Southern agencies and without the Association appearing in the matter.

The organization of the Law and Order League in Tennessee affords a splendid opportunity for constructive work along the line indicated.

The following action on matters submitted in the reports of the Secretary, Field Secretary, and Director of Publications and Research resulted:

1. The Secretary's actions on various matters reported upon approved as a whole.

2. Upon motion of Mr. Walling, the Board approved the publication of the full report and all testimony taken by the Congressional Committee on the East St. Louis riots, and instructed the Secretary to express this action of the Board to members of Congress and otherwise as seemed desirable to secure results.

3. Upon motion of Mr. Kennaday, the Secretary was instructed to make inquiries regarding the allegation contained in letter of Mr. Timothy Shea concerning a member of the Board.

4. Regarding the recommendation of the Director of Publications and Research concerning Prof. Franklin Johnson's Columbia University thesis on legislation affecting the Negro, Miss Ovington stated that she knew of this study, that Mr. Arthur Spingarn had examined it and said it was good of its kind but did not fill the need in that it did not include a citation of cases and decisions, without which the book would not be most useful to the N.A.A.C.P. Mr. Studin expressed concurrence in this view. No action.

5. After discussion of the recommendation of the Director of Publications and Research that Dr. Dillard's plan for Federal Aid to Negro education be backed by the Association, in which there was

pointed out by Mrs. Kelley and Messrs. Walling and Kennaday that such approval and backing should be held in abeyance until the plan could be compared with that now being furthered by the National Child Labor Committee, a plan for federal aid to elementary education originally proposed and developed by a committee largely composed of Directors of the Association, a motion made by Mr. Walling was carried that the Chair appoint a committee with power to act for the Directors, to confer with Mr. Owen R. Lovejoy of the National Child Labor Committee, and take such action as seemed best to express the interests of the colored people.

The Chair appointed Mr. Walling, Mrs. Kelley, Dr. Du Bois and the Secretary.

The Committee agreed to meet Tuesday, March 12.

6. Upon motion of Mr. Walling, the recommendation of the Director of Publications and Research in re representation on the League of Small and Subject Nationalities was laid on the table. The opinion was expressed that it was doubtful policy for the N.A.A.C.P. to become a member of other organizations, but that the Board entirely approved of members of its staff accepting appointments or taking part in any movements of which they approved, in their individual and personal capacity.

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7. Upon motion of Mr. Kennaday, the granting of a charter to the Oklahoma City group, as recommended by the Field Secretary, was approved.

The following additional matters were presented to the Board by the acting Chairman and Secretary and action thereon taken as indicated:

1. Resolution of the Boston Branch requesting action by the National Office in re the "re-organization of the War Department in matters affecting the fighting efficiency of the twelve million American citizens of color."

Letter of Mr. Butler R. Wilson, Secretary of the Boston Branch, requesting no action until the Boston Branch could present the matter by personal representation.

Request acceded to and matter laid on the table.

2. Letter from Mr. Butler R. Wilson informing the Board of the decision of United States Commissioner Hayes in denying the appeal of the Government for the extradition of John Johnson, a Negro, from Massachusetts to West Virginia, and sustaining the action of Governor McCall of Massachusetts in refusing extradition. Case argued by Messrs. W. H. Lewis, Richard W. Hale and Mr. Wilson. Appropriations for expenses of trial and witnesses made by National Office ($300), Miss Annette P. Rogers ($100), Executive Committee of the Boston Branch ($100).

The Board expressed its appreciation of the good work done by

the Boston Branch and its counsel and its gratification at the successful outcome, and instructed the Secretary to convey the fact to the Boston Branch and to inquire regarding the status of Mr. Johnson.

3. Resignation of Dr. F. M. Cardozo because of inability to attend meetings.

Upon motion of Mr. Studin, the Board accepted the resignation with regret and instructed the Secretary to so advise Dr. Cardozo.

4. Letter of Dr. Bentley in re participation without compensation, of Judge Edward Osgood Brown in argument of appeal before the Illinois Supreme Court of eleven colored men sentenced by lower courts of St. Clair County, Ill., to fourteen years imprisonment in re East St. Louis cases. (Decision expected either in April or June term.)

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Upon motion of Mr. Studin, the Board expressed its appreciation of Judge Brown's service and instructed the Secretary so to inform Judge Brown.

5. Upon motion of Mrs. Kelley, it was

RESOLVED, That Mrs. Mary B. Talbert, President of the National Association of Colored Women, be invited to serve as a member of the Board of Directors to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Cardozo, resigned.

6. The Acting Chairman presented the matter of the governmental status of Haiti and inquired the pleasure of the Board concerning a first-hand study of existing conditions there.

Upon motion of Mr. Studin, it was

RESOLVED, That the Field Secretary be authorized to make such an inquiry in Haiti, provided funds were available. (It is understood that an effort will be made to interest a magazine publisher in articles that would be contributed, as a result of the inquiry by Mr. Johnson.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mary W. Ovington
Acting Chairman.

John R. Shillady
Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT
of the
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
OF COLORED PEOPLE

Month of March 1918

Receipts			Expenditures	
General Account				
Balance in bank Feb. 28		$1005.36	Salaries	$274.98
Memberships	$1048.50		Postage	118.09
*Contribution	640.00		General Expense & Supplies	70.31
Bulletin sales	15.15		Rent	50.00
Pins sold	7.35		Telephone	17.37
Miscellaneous	14.79		Traveling Expense	57.40
			Advertising	2.00
			Office partitions	136.96
			Printing - miscellaneous	56.76
			Bulletins	35.00
			Crisis - February account	109.05
			Loving Cup (contributed by branches to Dr. DuBois)	68.44
			Memberships returned to branches	104.50
			Transfer to Anti-Lynching Fund	50.00
		1725.79		1850.86
			Balance in bank Mar. 31	880.29
			Petty Cash Fund	100.00
		$2831.15		$2831.15
Special Funds				
Balances in banks Feb.28 -			March Expenditures - Anti-Lynching -	
Anti-Lynching Fund		$7705.43	Salaries	$255.15
Maclean Memorial Fund		215.34	Multigraphing	81.30
Legal Fund		47.50	Telegrams	80.42
Jim Crow Fund		8.00	Advance to W.D.Weatherford	200.00
			St.Louis Branch - contributions to Bundy Fund	750.00
March Receipts				
Anti-Lynching Fund		95.08	Balances in banks Mar. 31 -	
" transfer from Gen.F.		50.00	Anti-Lynching Fund	6510.64
Legal Fund		2.50	Maclean Memorial Fund	215.34
			Legal Fund	50.00
			Jim Crow Fund	8.00
		$8150.85		$8150.85

*Includes contribution of $500. from Rev. Alexander Lewis, Joliet, Ill.

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MEMORANDUM TO MR. SHILLADY

I have addressed branches of the National Association on my recent trip as follows:

Harrisburg, audience of 600, March 18

Dayton, audience of 1,000, March 21, (in conjunction ~~teach~~ with another organization)

Detroit, audience of 1,000, March 25

Syracuse, audience of 300, March 28

The Detroit branch is in good condition; Harrisburg, fair condition; Dayton and Syracuse need pushing up.

The N.A.A.C.P. notes for THE CRISIS were due on the first.

Will the Spingarn medal be awarded before April 25? If so we would like to publish the picture of the medallist.

Please note the next membership blanks. Number 2 is illegal. The Postal Law requires that a member in subscribing must distinctly say "I want the CRISIS."

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors

April 8, 1918.

The April meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was held in the editorial offices of the Crisis, 70 Fifth Avenue, at four o'clock, pursuant to notice.

Present: Mr. Studin, Dr. Sinclair, Dr. Jones, the Secretary and the Field Secretary.

Regrets from Miss Ovington, Mr. Loud, Mr. Crawford, Mrs. Kelley, Miss Addams, Prof. Cook, Mr. Walling, Dr. Holmes, Dr. Du Bois.

There being no quorum present, the following business was transacted subject to approval by a subsequent meeting.

The minutes of the March meeting were approved as sent out.

On motion, duly seconded, the report of the Treasurer was accepted as sent out.

Report of the Secretary:

The Secretary reported as follows:

Further action on matters appearing in the minutes of the March meeting has been taken as appears below:

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: The Membership Drive campaign has been pushed actively. The April Bulletin dealt partly with this subject as did the February and March Bulletins, the February Bulletin being devoted wholly to the Drive. An active correspondence with the branches has been carried on. In addition to a circular letter sent by the Secretary to the branches on February 1, circular letters on special phases of the Drive were mailed March 16, March 27, and April 6. A letter is being mailed today, March 8, to branches from which we have not heard.

Special appeal letters to assist in the Drive have been sent to all national organizations of colored people, Negro Business Leagues, educational institutions, and to colored Young Men's Christian Associations in cities where no branches existed. In the latter case a printed one-page appeal letter was sent for posting on bulletin boards and request was made that additional copies sent be put in the hands of colored pastors in the several localities.

9,000 Drive Buttons were ordered and practically all have been shipped out.

A new membership solicitation book has been printed and is being sent out to branches. This book contains ten receipts numbered serially and a summary of the Association's accomplishments and purposes.

A news story on the Drive was sent to the press generally (selected cities) throughout the country for release on April 1. On

April 6 a special letter of appeal to the colored press was sent out in which was enclosed a new six-page pamphlet of a size to enclose in business envelopes, entitled "The Why and Therefore of the N.A.A.C.P." Request for news and editorial comment on the Drive was made.

Considerable quantities of the pamphlets "Why You Should Enlist in the N.A.A.C.P." and "The Why and Therefore" have been sent, on request, to the branches, although the latter is primarily intended for use in appeals for general contributions soon to be made.

The Secretary has spoken in Providence and has speaking engagements during April in Columbus, O., Cincinnati, O. (with the Executive Committee only), Memphis, Tenn., Louisville, Ky., and New Haven, Conn. In Memphis, he meets, on invitation, with a committee of the Memphis Chamber of Commerce.

RE COLORED REPRESENTATION IN WORKING OUT NATIONAL WAR EMERGENCY LABOR PROGRAM:

Through Mr. L. Hollingsworth Wood the Secretary has been informed that Assistant Secretary of Labor Post advised Mr. Wood that pending legislation, no further action has been taken in regard to the inauguration of a special advisory labor bureau headed by a representative colored man as was advocated in conference with the Secretary of Labor, the Assistant Secretary, and the Advisory Council to the Secretary of Labor. The Secretary will keep in touch with developments in this field.

RE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR AND COLORED WORKMEN:

On April 1 a letter was received from Mr. Gompers stating that the Executive Council of the A. F. of L. had appointed the following committee to represent them:

John R. Alpine, President, United Association of Plumbers and Steam Fitters of the United States and Canada.
James O'Connell, President, Metal Trades Department, A.F. of L.
Frank Morrison, Secretary, A. F. of L.
John H. Donlin, President, Building Trades Department, A.F. of L.
Newton A. James, President, Central Labor Union.

The letter stated further that this committee was prepared to meet with the committee representing the organizations interested in and working with colored people; that a meeting was called at Washington April 4. This meeting was later postponed and will be held on April 22.

At a conference held in New York April 1, attended by Messrs. L. Hollingsworth Wood, Eugene Kinckle Jones, Fred R. Moore and the Secretary, the following names were suggested to serve on the committee representing organizations interested in colored people: Messrs. Emmett J. Scott, Archibald H. Grimke, George C. Hall of Chicago, Fred R. Moore and John Hope, or some other person acceptable to and proposed by Dr. R. R. Moton. All of the names suggested for the committee are colored men, it being the judgment of the committee that this would be best.

The Urban League and the N.A.A.C.P. through the Secretary, will endeavor to collect all available information possible concerning organizations of colored workmen for the assistance of this committee.

On April 1 a letter dated March 27 was received from the Railroad Men's International Benevolent Industrial Association in reply to an inquiry from the Secretary's office, giving details about this

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Association which has been working for three or four years trying to establish locals all over the country. This Association says it has connections in the South in the West, and on the Pacific Coast, but has no connections in New York City. Robert L. Hays, the Chairman of their Board of Directors, appeared before the Railroad Wage Commission recently and made a forty-minute address, creating a good impression. The Association asks our advice regarding their cooperation with the A. F. of L., also information concerning the activities of the A.F. of L in the South. The Secretary replied at some length on April 1.

Mr. J. B. Watson of Atlanta, Ga., has been written to because of his connection with the southern colored railway firemen whom the Association helped in 1912-1913.

BROTHERHOOD OF LOCOMOTIVE FIREMEN AND ENGINEMEN: Nothing further has been done.

COLONEL YOUNG CASE:

A letter was received March 25 (dated March 21) from Colonel Young stating that he does not desire to antagonize or challenge the opinion of the army surgeons in his case, that the most he can ask for without causing trouble is to command a regiment of colored draftees in the National forces which he feels "the high sense of justice and right of the Secretary of War will accord him.

LIEUTENANT TRIBBETT'S CASE: No developments.

EFFORTS TO SECURE PUBLICATION OF TESTIMONY TAKEN BY THE EAST ST. LOUIS CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE:

No developments.

SPINGARN MEDAL AWARD:

Arrangements have been made for the award of the Spingarn Medal at Providence on May 3. Governor Beeckman, President Storey and Major Spingarn have accepted invitations to participate, the latter stipulating that his acceptance must be conditional on his ability to be present, which cannot be made positive at this time.

THE FOLLOWING NEW MATTERS ARE REPORTED:

1. Activities on lynching matters: A report prepared for the Anti-Lynching Committee concerning the activities of the Executive Office on this subject from March 7 to April 6 is attached. (Press stories included in the report to the Committee are omitted in these minutes but may be consulted if desired.)

2. Upon the suggestion of the Secretary, the New York Branch undertook arrangements for a reviewing stand at 127th Street and Seventh Avenue, in connection with the parade of the 369th Infantry on March 25, at a cost of $250, which was raised by Rev. F. A. Cullen, President of the Branch (one-half was given by the Circle for Negro War Relief.) Governor Whitman accepted the Secretary's invitation to review the parade from this stand. Mayor Hylan also participated in the review. Several members of the Board, the Secretary and the Assistant Secretary were present. The Field Secretary joined the Secretary in greeting the Governor at the Union League Club but

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unable to be at the reviewing stand on account of a speaking engagement.

2. Mrs. Mary B. Talbert has accepted the Board's invitation to serve on the directorate.

3. An amendment strengthening the Civil Rights Act, prepared by the Legal Committee and introduced by Assembly man E. A. Johnson has been passed by both houses and is before the Governor. A telegram urging the Governor to sign the bill, signed by the Field Secretary and Dr. DuBois, was sent. Several friends of the Association were requested by telephone to do likewise.

4. The Secretary has met with representatives of the Urban League and the City Club in regard to the establishment by the State Industrial Commission of an Employment Bureau in Harlem to serve the colored population for which a legislative appropriation of $5,000 was named in a bill now pending. A telegram of approval was sent to the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee to be incorporated in the minutes of the hearing given by the Committee on this subject.

5. Attention is called to three investigations made in Southern States in which reference is made to colored people, which may be obtained at ten cents each from the Russell Sage Foundation, 130 East 22nd Street, New York City. These are, "A Social Welfare Program for the State of Florida," prepared at the request of Governor Sidney J. Catts of that State, and the Cabinet of State Officers, by Hastings H. Hart; "The War Program of the State of South Carolina," prepared at the request of Governor Manning of South Carolina, the State Council of Defense, and the State Board of Charities and Corrections, by Mr. Hart; and "A Suggested Program for the Executive State Council of Defence of West Virginia," also prepared by Mr. Hart. The United States Chamber of Commerce has published (March 25) a report on "The Value of Negro Education," which can be obtained on request.

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FINANCE.

A contribution of $500 has been received from the Rev. Alexander Lewis of Joliet, Ill., who has contributed fifty dollars annually since 1912. An anonymous contribution of $25 was received on March 20 and today, April 8, a second $25 was received from the same source with the information that this amount would be sent monthly "for some months to come," and requesting full information regarding the Tennessee lynchings.

Financial Plans: Much headway has been made in collecting available lists from which to solicit contributions for the work of the Association. We are securing reports and contributors' lists of most of the leading Charitable Societies of the country and as many others of a character available for our appeals as possible.

A single sheet reproduction of headlines in re lynchings, as they appeared in Southern papers, has been made for enclosure with appeal letters.

CLIPPINGS SERVICE.

A standing order for all New York City lynching references and references from the locality where lynchings occur has been placed with our clippings bureau, also for clippings regarding legislation

affecting colored people. These two standing orders have been added to one given prior to the Secretary's coming which authorized clippings where the name of the Association appeares.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Director of Publications and Research:

The March edition of the Crisis was 75,000 copies of which 69,000 were sold. The total cash income was $4,476.49. The cash balance is $770.57.

The Director has delivered lectures as follows: at Harrisburg, Pa., 500 persons, at Dayton, Ohio, 1200; at Youngstown, Ohio, 300; at Detroit, Mich., 1000, at Syracuse, N. Y., 300. The speeches at Harrisburg, Detroit and Syracuse were before branches of the Association.

The Director is lecturing before the Colored Business League at Bryn Mawr, Pa., Friday night, April 6, and the Forum of State Normal School, West Chester, Pa., Monday night, April 8. If possible, he will return to the meeting Monday afternoon.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Field Secretary:

Since the last meeting of the Board, the Field Secretary has held meetings with the Executive Committees of branches and addressed meetings under the auspices of branches in the interest of the Moorfield Storey Drive, as follows:

At New Haven, a meeting with the Executive Committee; at New Bedford, Mass., three meetings - one with a group of members and interested persons, another with the Executive Committee, and the third, a public meeting in the hall of the public library, which was largely attended; at Providence, East Orange, Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore meetings with the executive committees; also meeting with large group of members and interested persons at Springfield, Mass., two public meetings at Philadelphia, and three public meetings at Baltimore.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Legal Committee:

The following report is made on behalf of the Legal Committee: Mr. Studin, Chairman of the Committee, advised the Secretary

1. To make a formal request of the Mayor for an investigation in the case of Miss Julia Baker, reported in the March meeting.

2. That the case of Ed. Winston, a prisoner at Walla Walla, Wash., who desires a pardon or parole, alleging discrimination, be referred to our Branch at Seattle for investigation.

3. That in the case of the Waycross, Ga., Negro business league, which asked for advice concerning the case of a colored man(in destitute circumstances who, while begging from door to door was shot by a policeman at whose house he was cutting wood for the policeman's wife, was arrested) their counsel be advised that if desired they might communicate with Mr. Studin. Explanation of the case is as follows:

1. That the man was known to be in a destitute condition.
2. That upon the arrival of the officer at whose house he was cutting wood, the man was shot twice by the officer, though not seriously wounded.
3. That the colored man is now in jail on the charge of assaul

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and battery, to be tried in the April term of court.

4. That the man attempted no assault was not armed and had no motive for doing wrong.

The Chairman of the Legal Committee further advised the Secretary:

That the case of the Rev. J. H. Ellis, who was beaten by a mob on a charge of disloyalty which he alleges had origin in race discrimination was considered as was that of Lieutenant C. A. Tribbett, on which the Association through the Secretary's office had already taken action. The former case had already been given publicity by another organization (the Civil Liberties Bureau), and in the case of Lieutenant Tribbett no further action is recommended.

Report accepted.

On motion of Dr. Sinclair, duly seconded, it was

VOTED That the Rev. Alexander Lewis of Joliet, Ill., be made a life member of the Association in acknowledgment of his contribution of Five Hundred Dollars and his desire so to be regarded.

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It was expressed as the sense of the meeting, though without motion, that the Secretary serve as a member of the committee to work with a committee appointed by the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor whose function is to deal with labor questions involving the American Federation of Labor and colored labor.

Mr. Johnson presented a communication from the New York Liberty Loan Committee asking that he serve as a member of this Committee. Mr. Johnson explained that he would be out of the city during the period of the drive and suggested that he would be glad to serve if possible or to suggest a substitute.

On motion of Dr. Sinclair, duly seconded, it was

RESOLVED That Mr. Johnson accept appointment, if agreeable to the New York Liberty Loan Committee and that he recommend to that Committee the name of a member of the New York Branch who could act in his place in this capacity.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Arthur B. Spingarn

Acting Chairman, Board of Directors.

John R. Shillady

Secretary.

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April 17, 1918.

MEMORANDUM TO MISS OVINGTON OR MR. SHILLADY

The Washington branch wish me to speak for them Sunday, the twenty-first. I asked them whether they would bear the expenses or the National Association, and they suggested that the National Association bear them.

Is this agreeable?

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EXHIBIT A

RELEASED FOR THE AFTERNOON PAPERS OF THURSDAY, April 25:

April 24, 1918.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, through its Secretary, John R. Shillady of New York, makes public telegrams of protest against lynchings occurring within the last three days in the states of Louisiana and Tennessee. These telegrams have been addressed to Governor R. G. Pleasant of Louisiana and to the Chambers of Commerce of Baton Rouge, New Orleans, and Monroe, La., and to Governor Tom C. Rye and the Chambers of Commerce at Chattanooga, Nashville, Knoxville and Memphis, Tenn.

The Association's telegrams to Louisiana call attention to the fact that since the United States entered the war, Louisiana has the unenviable record of having lynched eleven Negroes without trial, six of these lynchings having occurred since January 1 of this year. In the cases of Tennessee the Association's telegrams state that since the United States entered the war five Negroes have been lynched in Tennessee, in three of these cases the victims having been burned and tortured at the stake before death, and in one case, that of Berry Noyes against which the present protest is made, the body having been dragged through the streets and burned after the Negro was hanged.

The Association's telegrams follow:

April 24, 1918.

Hon. R. G. Pleasant, Governor,
Baton Rouge, La.

A high sense of duty to the nation impels the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to call upon you as Governor of the great State of Louisiana to take prompt and vigorous steps to assert Louisiana's regard for law and order by ordering that legal action be taken to apprehend the lynchers of Clyde Williams who was hanged by a mob at Monroe, La., on April 22. We again appeal to you to vindicate the fair name of your state against those who by lynchings and mob violence place Louisiana in the position of embarrassing the nation in its death struggle against autocratic powers, despite the fact that three previous similar appeals made within the past ten weeks have been ignor-

ed and your statement, according to the Shreveport Times of March 20, that you would take no cognizance of our protest. Since the United States entered the war, Louisiana has the unenviable record of having lynched eleven Negroes without trial. Six of these lynchings have occurred since January first of this year.

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The occasion demands first, that you apprehend lynchers; second, that you inquire whether Sheriff exercised full powers of his office to protect Negro prisoner; third, that you issue a proclamation calling upon your citizens to stand by your laws; fourth, that you request the President of the United States to reinforce your appeal by a statement to the nation. America's prestige abroad and her national morale at home demand vigorous, determined and patriotic action.

John R. Shillady, Secretary
Seventy, Fifth Avenue,
New York.

April 24, 1918.

Hon. Tom C. Rye, Governor,
Nashville, Tenn.

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People urges you take most emphatic action to bring to justice in courts of Tennessee perpetrators of outrages against the law of your state in case of hanging, dragging of the body through the streets, and afterwards burning of Berry Noyes at Lexington, Tennessee, on Monday, April 22, One hundred thousand Negro soldiers have been called to the colors and are now preparing to give their lives that the world may be made safe for democracy. Thousands more will be enlisted in further drafts prepared to give the supreme sacrifice for America and for the cause to which the government of the United States and President Wilson have called the country. In your state, since the United States entered the war, five Negroes have been lynched, despite the fact that Tennessee's laws are ample to insure legal punishment of all Negroes accused of crime. In three cases these Negroes met their death by being burned at the stake by lawless mobs. In the case of Berry Noyes, according to newspaper reports, body was burned after lynching. Four burnings in all. Such outrages as these Tennessee outrages are unparalleled in the history of this or any other civilized country. They imperil national unity. Twelve million loyal Negro citizens and many more millions of loyal white citizens, outraged by these assaults upon our fundamental law, are watching to see whether Tennessee in this supreme crisis of the nation's history will assert her determination to abide by the laws of the country. You are well aware that Negroes guilty of crime

will be accorded full punishment, upon conviction by the courts, by due process of law. Your delay of nine weeks in offering the pitifully inadequate reward of five hundred dollars for the apprehension of the criminals who burned a Negro at the stake at Estill Springs on February 12 has already put Tennessee on trial before the nation. What is your answer?

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John R. Shillady, Secretary,
Seventy, Fifth Avenue, New York City.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 26, 1918.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is authorized to make public the following telegram addressed to Governor Tom C. Rye of Tennessee by Bolton Smith of Memphis, Tenn., Secretary of the Law and Order League which was organized two months ago, following the Estill Springs burning, to put a stop to lynching:

San Antonio, Texas;
April 23, 1918.

Hon. Tom C. Rye, Governor,
Nashville, Tennessee.

The lynching of Berry Noyes at Lexington, Tennessee, April 22, cannot but sow disunion among our people, undermine the morale of our Negro troops, and lesson the effectiveness of our propaganda among colored people for food production and conservation. It will therefore tend to prolong the war and increase the price in dead and wounded we have to pay for victory. I have been visiting the Texas Camps and witnessed the self-sacrificing work of our splendid young men who are preparing to risk all for us. It is strange our own people will not help them by exercising the self control necessary to give a Negro charged with crime such a trial as our own laws provide. The government of the United States is controlled by Southern men. It has called the Negro to the defense of the colors and the American people will demand that a race thus honored shall be granted the justice of a fair trial when accused of crime. We all know that when guilty there is no doubt of full punishment. The Lexington lynchers cannot have realized the extent to which their act furnishes aid and comfort to the enemy. As Secretary of the Tennessee Law and Order League, organized to stop lynching, I urge you to issue a proclamation to our people pointing out the treasonable effect of such act and that you call upon the President of the United States as commander of the nation to reinforce your words, for it is plain we are threatened with a nation-wide increase of this crime.

Bolton Smith

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EXHIBIT F

April 20, 1918.

RELEASED FOR THE MORNING PAPERS OF APRIL 22:

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, through its Secretary, John R. Shillady, has sent to Governor Theodore G. Bilbo of Mississippi the following telegram of protest against the lynching of Claud Singleton, a Negro, near Poplarville, Miss. Singleton had been convicted of murder on April 17 and sentenced to life imprisonment. He was taken from the Pearl County jail, near Poplarville, on April 18 and lynched. The Association's telegram follows:

April 20,1918.

Hon. Theodore G. Bilbo, Governor,
Jackson, Miss.

Press dispatches in New York papers report that Claud Singleton, a Negro, convicted on April 17 of murder and sentenced to life imprisonment, was taken from Pearl River County jail, near Poplarville, Miss., on April 18 and lynched. Concern for national unity demands that you take prompt action instructing the sheriff of Pearl River County to apprehend all concerned in this outrage upon Mississippi's courts and law. In similar case recently Governor Manning of South Carolina instructed sheriff to arrest lynchers with result that seventeen men now under bonds of approximately $100,000 are to be tried. Suah lynchings as that in Poplarville are less against the victim than against the law.

John R. Shillady, Secretary
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EXHIBIT G

May 11, 1918.

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RELEASED TO THE COLORED PRESS FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLICATION:

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People announces the receipt of a letter from Governor Thomas W. Bickett of North Carolina in reply to the Association's protest against the lynching of Peter Bazemore in Bertie County, N. C., late in March. The Governor's letter states that he had ordered the Sheriff of Bertie County to make a thorough investigation of the affair and if possible to apprehend the guilty persons who composed the lynching party, but that the sheriff had reported that after a thorough investigation he was unable to ascertain who composed the lynching party. The Governor's letter further stated that he deeply deplored the lynching and alluded to the fact that the Governor had gotten out of bed at midnight some weeks before and prevented a Negro being lynched in Raleigh.

Mr. Shillady replied for the National Association, calling the Governor's attention to the fact that the country at large generally assumes that when sheriffs report that they have been unable to ascertain the personnel of lynching parties, the investigation has been perfunctory, and reminds the Governor that a less complacent attitude must now be taken toward lynching now that the legal procedure of the United States is before the bar of the opinion of the world.

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May 9, 1918.

EXHIBIT H

Released for papers of Saturday, May 11.

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The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, through its Secretary, John R. Shillady of New York, issued the following statement today in the form of an open letter to Attorney General Thomas W. Gregory commenting on the latter's recent address to the Executive Committee of the American Bar Association in which the Attorney General urged an educational campaign against lynch law and mob violence:

May 10, 1918.

Hon. Thomas W. Gregory,
Attorney General of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

In the press of May 6 and May 7 there is reported an address said to have been delivered by you to the Executive Committee of the American Bar Association in which you urged an educational campaign against lynch law. Such a campaign is sorely needed. In the press reports of your address to the Bar Association reference to individual cases is wholly to mob violence occasioned by public resentment of alleged German propaganda. In one part of your address you say, very truly, that unless the hysteria which results in the lynching of men is checked it will create a condition of lawlessness from which we will suffer for a hundred years.

We would most respectfully call to your attention the fact that this condition of lawlessness which you apprehend and from which you believe we will suffer for a hundred years unless steps are taken immediately to check it, is now and has been in existence for many years past. Its victims have been largely Negroes. Since 1885 between 3,000 and 4,000 cases of lynching have been reported. Recently this Association caused one of its staff to make a careful investigation of the files of the Chicago Tribune, the New York Tribune, and other daily papers, magazines and books, for the purpose of compiling information in detail concerning lynchings. The compiler has found only three instances in which lynchers have been pun-

ished. In two of these cases the victim of the mob was white. In the third case, that of a particularly atrocious murder of a Tennessee farmer and his two daughters, the lynchers were two young and friendless white boys.

Since the United States entered the war on April 2, 1917, our information is that 219 Negro men, women and children have been killed and lynched by mobs in addition to two white men, one of these being Robert Prager. Four Negroes were lynched in Alabama, 2 in Arkansas, 1 in Florida, 7 in Georgia, 1 in Kentucky, 11 in Louisiana, 3 in Mississippi, 1 in North Carolina, 2 in Oklahoma, 2 in South Carolina, 5 in Tennessee, 9 in Texas, 2 in Virginia, 1 in West Virginia, and 1 in Wyoming. In addition to these cases of lynching per se, 175 men, women and children were tortured, burned and killed at East St. Louis in July, 1917, and three Negroes were killed by a mob at Chester, Pa., in September, 1917. In some of these cases the lynchings were particularly atrocious. In Tennessee, for example, three men were burned at the stake, the burnings being accompanied by savage torturing. In one case, which occurred two weeks ago, the body of the victim was burned at the stake after having been lynched by hanging.

In the case of the Negroes who have been lynched no question of loyalty to their country has been raised in any case. The crimes of which they were accused were ordinary crimes for which civil courts do now and have always provided adequate remedies and certain punishment. Furthermore, these Negroes were not men and women (for cowardly mobs lynch women as well as men) of wealth and position with opportunities through the engagement of learned counsel to secure delays in trial or mitigation of punishment, but they have been the poor, the friendless, and we regret to say, the despised.

The Association regards as significant the pronouncement which you have made as Attorney General. We would most respectfully suggest to you the expediency of making a second pronouncement in the name of your high office, or better still, it would be desirable that this pronouncement be made in the name of the President of the United States, calling not alone upon the lawyers of the country but upon the governors of states, sheriffs of counties, and the citizens of local communities to assert their regard for the laws of the nation which is now calling upon these citizens to fight to make the world safe for democratic government. One hundred thousand of the best colored youth of the land have responded to the call of the country and are preparing to give their lives in its defense and in support of the cause upon which it is embarked. They in common with their many millions of white fellow citizens have the right to believe that while they are risking, and if need be, sacrificing their lives for

their country, that their country through its highest spokesmen should call upon officers sworn to obey the law to make an honest effort to prevent the disgraceful practice of lynching Negroes whenever it suits a mob to engage in this exercise.

We regret to say that honest and determined efforts on the part of officers of the law to safeguard Negro prisoners from mob violence when such mobs threaten the lives of Negroes are rare. Rare, too, is the governor of one of the states in which most lynchings occur who has the courage sincerely and honorably to order the apprehension of lynchers. Recent occurrences of this kind, which we are only too glad upon opportunity to commend, are the actions of Governor Stanley of Kentucky in defying a mob and protecting by his own body a Negro prisoner, of Governor Manning of South Carolina at whose orders seventeen lynchers are now under bonds of nearly $100,000 awaiting trial, of Governor Bickett of North Carolina in preventing a lynching by personal appeal and of Governor Dorsey of Georgia in offering a reward of five hundred dollars for the apprehension of the members of a lynching party. Governor Rye of Tennessee, after nine weeks delay, has offered a reward of five hundred dollars for the apprehension of the criminals who burned a Negro at the stake on February 12.

We are aware of many instances in which sheriffs and their deputies have made honest attempts to protect their prisoners. We are aware, we regret to say, of many more cases where no such attempt has been made. Too often the only thing that happens when one of these cases of lynching is brought to the attention of the governor of certain of the states where the victim happens to be a Negro, is either that nothing whatever is said or done or that a perfunctory statement is made by the governor that he is personally opposed to lynching and mob violence.

We submit to you and to the people of the United States that at this critical period of the nation's history mere verbal assertion by a governor or sheriff of a belief in law and order and of opposition to lynching is not sufficient. What the occasion demands is action and not rhetoric, and the kind of action that is required is the actual apprehension of lynchers. The American public has not failed to note that when a white man, accused of disloyalty was lynched in Illinois, the federal government was extremely active and that sixteen persons have been indicted. This procedure, which we greatly commend, is in striking contrast to that practiced in the case of the lynching of a Negro. We are not unaware that your office may take the position, as it has indeed taken the position, that it has no right to interfere. This position has recently been taken also by three governors of states in

letters in acknowledgement of protests against lynching made by this Association. We quote from a letter of April 25 from the Hon. Theo. G. Bilbo, Governor of Mississippi:

> "Under our system of laws in Mississippi, the Governor would have no jurisdiction in this matter. After the lynching has been committed it is the duty of the Grand Jury of the County to make the investigation and report the violation of the law."

The following from Governor Rye of Tennessee is to the same effect:

> "I could not anticipate that local officers, whose duty it is to take custody of prisoners would fail to accord protection, nor could any action upon my part be taken without being requested so to do by the local authorities or court officers."

If, as the Governor of Mississippi and the Governor of Tennessee say, the laws of the states do not permit their governors to act indefense of the law and in the protection of prisoners in their legal right to trial under the laws, then, Sir, is it not clear that upon grounds of humanity and national honor the federal government is bound to interfere? Is it not clear that examination of the lynching record of the last thirty years shows that in certain of the states the law has broken down so far as regards the protection of Negroes accused of crime?

We would further call your attention to the fact that not even the contention can be maintained that these lynchings are the result of uncontrollable anger at the perpetration of unmentionable crimes against women. The facts show that at least three-fourths of all lynchings in recent years have had nothing to do with attacks upon the person of white women, but on the contrary, the lynched Negroes have been accused of all kinds of crimes from serious ones to the most trivial offenses.

That citizens of at least one of the states are fully alive to the serious national peril involved in the practice of lynching is attested by the organization in March of the Tennessee Law and Order League for the suppression of lynching. While this organization realizes that southern white men must take the largest responsibility for the continuance of lynching, since lynching of Negroes has occurred mostly in the southern states, it must be evident to all good citizens that lynching must now as never before be regarded as a matter of national concern. The national aspects of the case are well put by Bolton Smith, a prominent citizen of Memphis, Tenn., whose telegram of April 23, sent by him as Secretary of the Law and Order League, to Governor Rye of that state follows:

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"The lynching of Berry Noyes at Lexington, Tenn., April 22, cannot but sow disunion among our people, undermine the morale of our Negro troops, and lessen the effectiveness of our propaganda among colored people for food production and conservation. It will therefore tend to prolong the war and increase the price in dead and wounded we have to pay for victory. I have been visiting the Texas camps and witnessed the self-sacrificing work of our splendid young men who are preparing to risk all for us. It is strange our own people will not help them by exercising the self control necessary to give a Negro charged with crime such a trial as our own laws provide. The government of the United States is controlled by southern men. It has called the Negro to the defense of the colors and the American people will demand that a race thus honored shall be granted the justice of a fair trial when accused of crime. We all know that when guilty there is no doubt of full punishment. The Lexington lynchers cannot have realized the extent to which their act furnishes aid and comfort to the enemy. As Secretary of the Tennessee Law and Order League, organized to stop lynching, I urge you to issue a proclamation to our people pointing out the treasonable effect of such act and that you call upon the President of the United States as commander of the nation to reinforce you words, for it is plain we are threatened with a nation-wide increase of this crime."

From the best information available to this Association, it can assert without equivocation that the colored people of the nation are loyal to its purposes in this as in every other crisis of the nation's history. They have been deeply stirred and inspired by the nobility of the President's utterances and by the fact that he has placed America's participation in the war upon so high a plane. Their response to the nation's appeal for service in the trenches, in the factory and on the farm has been without conditions.

Despite these facts, discrimination against them because of race and the lynching of their people under circumstances which would not occasion the lynching of white people, constitute a blot upon the character of civil government in American states. We submit that responsibility for the correction of such gross injustices against patient, devoted and loyal Americans of color has by the force of events been laid at the door of the nation as such.

Yours respectfully,

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE.

(Signed) JOHN R. SHILLIDAY

Secretary.

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49-3-17

May 13, 1918.

RELEASED TO THE COLORED PRESS FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLICATION:

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People makes public the following letter, dated May 10, of John R. Shillady, its Secretary, to the editor of the Shreveport Times, Shreveport, La. The editor of the Louisiana publication having published a long editorial occasioned by the protest made by Secretary Shillady on account of recent Louisiana lynchings in which the editor told Mr. Shillady that no outside scolds were needed and that Louisiana would take care of her own lynching problem, Mr. Shillady retorts as follows:

May 10, 1918.

Editor,
The Shreveport Times,
Shreveport, La.

Dear Sir:

I do not know whether you will admit to your columns a comment on your editorial of April 30 under the good-tempered heading. "No Outside Scolds Needed," and in which you advise me to eliminate myself from your lynching problem until my intervention is asked for.

In the first place, no good is to come from calling names. Secondly, one of the purposes of this Association is to bring home to the people of the United States that a lynching in any state is the concern not alone of that state but of the nation as a whole. It is appreciated that good citizens of Louisiana, like good citizens everywhere, stand for law and order and deplore mob violence. More than verbal disapprobation of lynching is needed, however. The United States is at war to make the world safe for democracy. Abroad our President is recognized as the world's moral leader. His prestige in this regard must not be clouded by actions at home which would tend to embarrass him in upholding the rights of the weak and the supremacy of law. Provincialism must go. Louisiana, like every other state, is now acting in the world's arena. She cannot sit back and call any Americans outsiders.

Furthermore, this Association has two branches within the state of Louisiana, for which it speaks as for its one hundred other branches in various parts of the country.

Mr. Editor, let us face the facts for a moment. Since the United States entered the war there have occurred the East St. Louis riots, in which 175 Negro men, women and children were killed. Aside from the East St. Louis riots there have occurred within the same period according to our information, a minimum of forty-six lynchings in forty-four of which Negroes were victims. The largest number of these occurred in Louisiana, who has eleven to her credit. In Texas during this period 9 Negroes were lynched, in Georgia 7, in Tennessee 5, in Alabama 4, in Mississippi 3, and in eleven other states smaller numbers. These figures show that the largest number of lynchings per se have occurred within your state.

44-3-12

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People takes no delight in presenting this to you. It does so in sadness of heart. Is it not clear that the most determined efforts are necessary on the part of Louisiana's good citizens and her press to bring about action. Would not the prosecution of lynchers be more effective than any other action that could be taken?

Very truly yours,

(Signed) JOHN R. SHILLADY

Secretary.

Mr. Shillady also makes putlic his reply to a letter addressed to him by J. Madison Vance of Baton Rouge, La., a Negro, in which Mr. Vance endeavors to set the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People right as to Governor Pleasant's attitude on lynching. Mr. Vance alleged that on more than one occasion Governor Pleasant had said to him, "I am unalterably opposed to mob violence," and that the Governor was now pursuing an inquiry as to the cause of the recent lynchings to which Mr. Shillady's telegram referred. Mr. Vance's letter, which appeared in some of the Louisiana papers, also said in part:

> "In Louisiana we both look upon this momentous question from different angles. We do not agree upon the method of its suppression. You seem to think that force is the proper remedy. I believe in educating the masses in the various communities to a realization of its abhorrent features. The stigma cast upon a particular community where lynching occurs is a blot upon everyone in the state which only time can wipe out. Mould this sentiment; crystalize it into a homogeneous mass. Put it behind the name of Governor Pleasant's stalwartness and let him lead the drive. Believe me, I promise that he will get the results."

Mr. Shillady's reply, in which he quotes from a letter received by him from a group of colored men in Louisiana who approve Secretary Shillady's protests against Louisiana lynchings and who disapprove of Mr. Vance's attitude follows:

May 10, 1918.

Mr. J. Madison Vance,
Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Sir:

Yours of April 27 was received in this office some days ago. My delay in acknowledgment has been due to my absence from the city.

I have read what you have had to say in justification of Governor Pleasant's attitude with sympathetic attention. You appear wholly to misunderstand the text of our appeal to the Governor, or have not read it. I am sending you a copy of the appeal since it may not have been printed in full in the Louisiana papers. The facts therein cited are that since the United States entered the war Louisiana has lynched eleven Negroes without trial and that six of these lynchings have occurred since January 1 of this year.

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The question raised by us is not to be answered by an affirmation that Governor Pleasant is unalterably opposed to mob violence. We need no assurance of this character as, without knowing Governor Pleasant personally, we are fully prepared to believe that he as an individual is as much opposed to mob violence as is the writer. The point is that Mr. Pleasant is Governor of Louisiana and that a mere verbal affirmation of his belief in law and order and of his opposition to mob violence is not sufficient under the circumstances. We ask you to imagine what Governor Pleasant would have done if since the United States entered the war a year ago eleven white men had been lynched by Negroes in your state. The facts are that Louisiana's laws have been flouted and that in no case have the lynchers been brought to trial.

There is nothing that would please us better than to be able to testify that the Governor of your state was so much opposed to mob violence that he did not rest content with voicing his opposition but that he took action that would result in the lynchers being brought before a court of law for trial.

Furthermore, our appeal to Governor Pleasant was addressed to the people of the State of Louisiana, for whom Governor Pleasant is but the agent. For this reason we addressed copies of it to the Chambers of Commerce of Baton Rouge, Shreveport and New Orleans, These repeated lynchings of colored men for crimes for which the state has provided ample means of punishment are an affront against the nation as a whole and are no longer the concern of a single state.

One of the best means of educating the masses in the communities of your state to a realization of the abhorrent features of lynching would be to have lynchers tried in the regular courts of law.

I am in receipt of a letter from a group of colored men in your state who express an entirely different opinion than that expressed by you. I quote the following:

"The thinking men of our race condemn the action of Mr. Vance and appreciate in the highest terms your very patriotic action in calling upon the Governor for action in this case."

Our correspondents also assert that nothing is being done in Louisiana to educate the white masses in the various communities to the abhorrent features of lynching. We are also advised by them that your leadership among your race is not as you would allow us to believe.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) JOHN R. SHILLADY

Secretary.

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TREASURER'S REPORT
of the
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
OF COLORED PEOPLE

Month of April 1918.

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General Account

Receipts		Expenditures	
Balance in bank March 31	$880.29	Salaries	$1049.98
Petty cash fund	100.00	Postage	80.23
Memberships	$1543.90	Rent	50.00
Contributions	100.00	General Expense & supplies	28.37
Bulletin sales	37.70	Expense in connection with use of Ethical Culture Hall for Conference	15.00
Miscellaneous	20.37	Traveling expense	381.90
	1687.97	Printing	112.93
		Telephone	15.40
		Telegrams	27.81
		Printing of Bulletin	28.50
			$1790.12
		Balance in bank April 30, 1918	778.14
		Petty cash fund	100.00
	$2668.26		$2668.26

Special Funds

Balances in banks March 31, 1918 -		Expenditures-	
Anti-Lynching Fund	$6510.64	Anti-Lynching Fund -	
Maclean Memorial Fund	215.34		
Legal Fund	50.00	Multigraphing	$ 17.75
Jim Crow Fund	8.00	Telegrams	15.36
April Receipts -		Balances in banks April 30 -	
		Anti-Lynching Fund	6540.04
Anti-Lynching Fund	62.50	Maclean Memorial Fund	215.34
Legal Fund	12.50	Legal Fund	62.50
		Jim-Crow Fund	8.00
	$6858.98		$6858.98

May 2, 1918.

RANDUM FOR DR. DU BOIS:

I am enclosing for your information and consideration an extract from a letter of Bolton Smith addressed to me under date of April 15, and a copy of a letter received April 29, sent from San Antonio, Texas, where Mr. Smith is temporarily. Miss Allison took in shorthand the text of a telegram sent by Mr. Smith to Governor Rye. Attached is a copy of that telegram also. These three things taken together will indicate to you what Mr. Smith wishes us to understand.

John R. Shillady
Secretary.

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EXTRACT FROM LETTER OF BOLTON SMITH TO J. R. SHILLADY
(Dated, April 15, 1918)

Allow me to emphasize what I said to you yesterday - that the current issue of the Crisis seems to me to be anything but patriotic in its tenor and effect. In so far as it has effect, I believe that it can only diminish the loyalty of the Negroes to the Government and lessen their willingness to buy liberty bonds and help in the saving of food, while its effect with the troops abroad might be disastrous. However much you and I might differas to the wisdom of these articles in normal times, I cannot see how we can differ as to their unwisdom at this time. I refer particularly to page 267, the editorial "Lead Kindly Light;" page 270, "Safe for Democracy;" page 271 to 275, "Mine Eyes have Seen;" page 290 bottom first column and following, being quotation from the letter of a colored soldier in France; same page and following, comments on address of Gen. Smuts.

While I presume that your Association is in nowise responsible for any portion of the Crisis, except pages 281 to 284, which appear under the name of your Association and which are in the nature of a report of specific action taken by you, yet I cannot but believe that you are so much interested in the winning of the war, that you will use your influence to have such articles omitted from future numbers.

It seems to me that the Negro now has an unusual opportunity to prove to the Southern people that he is capable of genuine patriotism. You may say he has proved this before now, but the fact is that most people in the South do doubt his ability to respond to any unselfish appeal and will continue to doubt it until they have some personal evidence to the contrary. I have lived in the South since 1882 and know the Southern people have never been during that period interested in anything half so much as they are in winning this war. Every family has one or more relatives in it. Sorrow has a wonderful influence in softening the heart and opening it to a recognition of the suffering of others. A patriotic attitude on the part of the Negro now reaches home as it never could at any other time. An illustration came to me this morning. A gentleman at whose request I had made a

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talk at a school in the St. Francis Delta opposite Memphis, tells me that being with a number of his friends at a colored church last night, they had been much impressed by the Negro minister's remarkable prayer about Great Britain and that the British line might hold. They had been struck by his entire attitude toward the war and by the soundness of his information with reference to it. Those white men will never think of that Negro minister in quite the same way again - a new attitude toward the entire race has taken root in their minds. My point is that anything which tends to make the Negro surly in his attitude toward the war, prevents him from taking advantage of the opportunity thus presented to win the good opinion of the people in whose midst he dwells and is, therefore, the very reverse of what I understand, the Crisis desires. I believe the articles to which I have called attention will have just that effect.

I see by the morning paper that the Irishmen of Chattanooga have sent a cable to the Home Rule leaders denouncing their opposition to conscription. The Socialist Jews of the East Side have endorsed Mr. Wilson and his war policy. The leader of the extreme party of German State Socialists in America, Mr. Hillquit, (recent candidate for Mayor) has offered his services to the Government. If the war could have that effect, is it not conceivable that it can also change even the attitudee of the Crisis toward the Southern people who, after all, in its calmer moments, it must recognize will solve this question, if it is solved, and who, therefore, ought to be conciliated and not denounced, especially when they are giving their sons for Democracy. Should not the Crisis assume a changed attitude, at least during the war, as its contribution to the winning of the war, or are we to find it to represent the only body of Americans, the attitude of which has not been affected by the war? Has it become so wholly representative of a grievance, merely, that it can refuse its help in this great crisis? Even reformers must be capable of sacrifice or stand convicted of occupying an unsocial attitude toward the rest of mankind and their problems. If the Crisis cannot summon the necessary spiritual insight to do this many, even among its friends, will conclude that it is in fact more interested in the agitation of the race question than in its solution and that it does not wish to convert the Southern people but rather, by innuendo and abuse to confirm as many of them as possible in their present attitude in order to have the satisfaction of seeing the Negro go forward over their unreconciled but defeated wills and that the Crisis seeks less the progress of the Negro than the humiliation of the Southern white people. I know this is not its purpose and I therefore have confidence that it too will change its position and help win the war and thus deserve the gratitude of all Americans.

(Signed) BOLTON SMITH

Received Apr 29-1918

(Copy)

(No date)

2216 Mc Culloch Ave.,
San Antonio, Texas

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Dear Mr. Shillady:

I am ~~very~~ sorry I am not at home. Were I there I would go to Nashville at once to see the Governor and the Officers of the League. I cannot be home for ten days or more and I hope my wire may help.

I thank you for your acknowledgement of it. I regret I had to send my answer "Collect," but I am three miles from the Telegraph Office and to have attempted payment would have delayed the ~~messenger~~ - a Mexican- who delivered your wire and took my reply-

During the war there must be no Negro lynching- our League must go to the President if necessary to bring the point now involved before the Southern people- When Negroes lynch Negroes- or whites lynch whites- or Americans lynch Americans no point of immediate effect is involved. But it is otherwise when whites lynch Negroes or Americans lynch Germans- Our Americans of German descent will not be loyal if we kill some of their race without careful investigation into all the facts- a lawful trial in fact- Negroes will not be loyal if we treat their accused as brutes- lynch them for crimes we would not lynch white men-

Yours sincerely,
(Signed) Bolton Smith

P.S. We must all lay aside, during the war, any opinion which makes for disunion- That is sacrifice- to give up ~~that~~ what you do not wish to give up- The sacrifice of that to which one is not attached is of little good.

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To the Editor: The following news story is sent you without charge and the accuracy of the statements herein made is guaranteed. JOHN R. SHILLADY, Secretary.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 26, 1918.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is authorized to make public the following telegram addressed to Governor Tom C. Rye of Tennessee by Bolton Smith of Memphis, Tenn., Secretary of the Law and Order League which was organized two months ago, following the Estill Springs burning, to put a stop to lynching:

San Antonio, Texas;
April 23, 1918.

Hon. Tom C. Rye, Governor,
Nashville, Tennessee.

The lynching of Berry Noyes at Lexington, Tennessee, April 22, cannot but sow disunion among our people, undermine the morale of our Negro troops, and lesson the effectiveness of our propaganda among colored people for food production and conservation. It will therefore tend to prolong the war and increase the price in dead and wounded we have to pay for victory. I have been visiting the Texas Camps and witnessed the self-sacrificing work of our splendid young men who are preparing to risk all for us. It is strange our own people will not help them by exercising the self control necessary to give a Negro charged with crime such a trial as our own laws provide. The government of the United States is controlled by Southern men. It has called the Negro to the defense of the colors and the American people will demand that a race thus honored shall be granted the justice of a fair trial when accused of crime. We all know that when guilty there is no doubt of full punishment. The Lexington lynchers cannot have realized the extent to which their act furnishes aid and comfort to the enemy. As Secretary of the Tennessee Law and Order League, organized to stop lynching, I urge you to issue a proclamation to our people pointing out the treasonable effect of such act and that you call upon the President of the United States as commander of the nation to reinforce your words, for it is plain we are threatened with a nation-wide increase of this crime.

Bolton Smith

Reg Hospitals

May 3, 1918.

MEMORANDUM TO MR. SHILLADY:

There are the following colored hospitals of prominence which train nurses?

Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, D. C.
Provident Hospital, Chicago, Illinois.
Douglas Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.
Mercy Hospital, " "
Provident Hospital, Kansas City, Mo.
Lincoln Hospital, Durham, N. C.
Lamar Hospital, Augusta, Ga.
The Colored Department of the City Hospital, Atlanta, Ga.
Charity Hospital, Savannah, Ga.
Hospital at Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va.
Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.
Provident Hospital, Baltimore, Md.

There are perhaps a dozen more smaller ones, but I think they do very little nurse training.

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The Education Number of The Crisis goes to press June 1. May we have before then the number of your graduates this year, and any interesting photographs that you may have?

Very respectfully,

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors

May 13, 1918

The May meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was held in the editorial offices of the Crisis, 70 Fifth Avenue, at four o'clock, pursuant to notice, Miss Ovington presiding.

Present: Messrs. Holmes, Sinclair, Walling, Kennaday, Bishop, Villard, Dr. Jones, Miss Ovington, the Secretary and the Assistant Secretary.

Regrets from Mr. Loud, Miss Wald, Mr. Wilson.

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The minutes of the April meeting, at which a quorum was not present, were approved, as was the action taken informally at that meeting as expressed in the minutes.
The minutes of the March meeting were approved.

The report of the Treasurer, sent to the members of the Board by mail, was read by the Secretary and accepted.

Report of the Acting Chairman.

MOORFIELD STOREY DRIVE:
Many of the branches are taking hold of the Moorfield Storey Drive with energy. In certain cases remarkable results have been achieved. For instance, Louisville, which had 128 members at the beginning of the Drive, has reported 1203 new members. Detroit has increased from 116 to 1020. The District of Columbia Branch, beginning at 626 has reported 6,042 new members; Philadelphia, beginning at 261, has added approximately 500 to date; Providence, beginning with 190, has added [illegible] new members. These reports added to incomplete reports from oth[illegible] branches (16 in all having reported, sending in complete or incomplete reports) show an increase of over 11,500 members. In addition, 18 new branches have been organized applications for which have either been approved or are pending. These branches have a total membership of 1220.

SPINGARN MEDAL AWARD:
The Spingarn Medal was awarded to William Stanley Braithwaite on Friday, May 3, at Providence, R. I. The Board was represented by Mr. Storey, Mr. Shillady and the Acting Chairman, who participated in the program. In addition, Mr. Butler Wilson attended. The award was made in the historic First Baptist Church founded by Roger Williams. There was an attendance of about 600.

NEW BEDFORD BRANCH MEETING:
Upon invitation of the New Bedford Branch the Acting Chairman

spent Monday, May 6, with them, addressing a meeting in the evening. Finding the audience was interested in details of the Association's work, the manner in which it is conducted, how the Association came into being, how it spends its money, and similar questions, the Acting Chairman's address was devoted along these lines.

As a result of this experience of the Branch's meeting, and on observing the interest taken by the branches in the Membership Drive, and on contemplating the growth of the Association and the widening scope of its activities and influence, Miss Ovington expressed her deep realization of the responsibilities of the National Office for continuing and stimulating the interest of the branches in the work. She felt that we now have a great machine for service which would require a great deal of effort and thought to keep going. Plans must be devised to maintain the interest of the branches in their contact with the National Office.

Report accepted.

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Report of the Director of Publications and Research.

The Crisis published 100,000 copies in April. We have sold to date 74,000 copies and are hoping to sell several thousands more.

The result of Mr. Calloway's 12,000 mile journey, together with the drive for members, etc., has raised The Crisis circulation to nearly 75,000.

The demand for lectures seems to be steadily increasing. I lectured during April in Chester, West Chester, and Cheyney, Pa., and in Washington, D. C. This month I have about twenty lectures in North Carolina and Virginia, including several school commencements.

The Department of Justice has warned us against the tone of some of the articles in The Crisis. It will probably be necessary, especially if proposed laws are passed, to discuss the war hereafter very carefully.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Secretary:

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:

The Secretary commented briefly on several phases of the Drive, the essential facts of which are summed up in the Acting Chairman's Report.

MEETINGS:

Since the last Board meeting the Secretary has addressed Branch meetings in Columbus, Cincinnati, Memphis, Louisville, New Haven, Brooklyn, Washington and Boston, and at the request of Dr. Cullen, President of the New York Branch, has met with two groups of New York people in connection with the Drive - (1) a group of New York clergymen, (2) a group of New York business men.

Upon invitation of a committee of ten of the Memphis Chamber of Commerce, the Secretary addressed this Committee on Saturday, March 13, on the subject, "Negro Workmen Leaving the South." The Secretary's address was prepared and read. It appeared to occasion great excitement

among certain members of the Committee who feared that if such an address were given to the colored people it would occasion unrest which might accentuate the tendency of colored labor to leave the city and state. The subject was treated from the point of view of what was necessary to improve national unity, increase national efficiency and promote a contented citizenship. The Secretary dealt with problems of illiteracy, education, wages, the organization of labor, adverse health factors, and referred briefly to lynching, Jim Crow, and the denial of access to parks, playgrounds, etc., to colored people, also the assumption of a superior status by the whites.

Some suggestions were made by members of the Committee that the Secretary should go back to New York without addressing the Branch. The United States District Attorney and the United States Department of Labor agent were brought into the situation to impress the Secretary with the seriousness of the local situation. The following day, however the Secretary's address was given before a large audience estimated as something over 2,000 and was without incident.

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ANTI-LYNCHING:

A report prepared for the Anti-Lynching Committee concerning the activities of the Executive Office on this subject from April 5 to May 10 is attached. (Press stories included in the report to the Committee are omitted but may be consulted if desired.)

BALLOU ORDER:

An order was issued by Major-General Ballou of the Ninety-second Division, Camp Funston, Kansas, dated March 28, known as Bulletin #35, which advised colored officers and men to refrain from going where they were not wanted irrespective of their legal rights, on the grounds that to do so would encourage race prejudice and be prejudicial to the good of the service.

With the approval of the Acting Chairman, on April 11 a letter was addressed to the War Department, signed for the Association by the Secretary, which referred to the injustice and inexpediency of this order. Bulletin #35 and the Secretary's letter were given to the press for release on April 12.

LABOR ADVISER APPOINTED:

As a result of representations made to the United States Secretary of Labor by six organizations interested in colored people, in which the Secretary represented the Association, the Secretary of Labor has announced the appointment of Dr. George E. Haynes Educational Secretary of the Urban League, to head the Bureau of Negro Economics, beginning May 1.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR AND COLORED LABOR:

The Secretary participated in a second conference with a committee of the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor whose appointment was referred to in the minutes of the April meeting. As a result of this conference it is expected that steps will follow the report to be made at the June meeting of the A. F. of L. which will be advantageous to colored workmen.

Governor Whitman has signed a bill providing for an appropriation of $5,000 for the establishment of an employment bureau (in Harlem), designed to facilitate the placement of colored workmen. The bill was drawn at the instance of the Urban League and was supported by the Association through the Secretary.

Additional to the addresses on behalf of the Drive, the Secretary addressed a meeting of the United Elevator and Switchboard Operators, and upon invitation of the Urban League, participated in four meetings on Sunday, April 28, which marked the conclusion of National Negro Health Week. The Secretary spoke at two of these meetings.

PUBLICITY:

During the month and including May 13, nine press stories have been released. One of these was on the Ballou Order already referred to, six on lynchings in various states, and two on the Spingarn Medal Award.

The practice has been adopted of sending copies of press releases to the secretaries of the various branches of the Association.

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Report accepted.

Report of the Field Secretary:

Encouraging letters have been received from time to time from Mr. Johnson giving accounts of the progress made on his western tour which will end May 22. Mr. Johnson has already visited the branches at Johnstown, Pa., Pittsburgh, Pa., Washington, Pa., Cleveland, O., Gary, Ind., Chicago, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and is now in Kansas City, returning from there to New York. On May 7 Mr. Johnson wrote:

The time spent in Chicago will, I feel, bring good results. The Drive there started with my coming. I believe that the Branch will go through to its full quota. In most of the cities that I have visited they waited for me before beginning, but as the time has been extended - a wise action - they will have full opportunity to fill their quotas. In several cities in which I have worked they will have to start almost from the ground. Pittsburgh from a branch of 500 had dropped to less than 200, and Chicago had never reached 200. Here in Indianapolis they will have to start from under the ground, because the Branch has been absolutely dead for two years. However, they had done some preliminary work here, and on Sunday our three meetings put Indianapolis "over the top." They are now enthused and are not going to stop.

On May 10 Mr. Johnson wrote:

No start had been made here in St. Louis until my arrival, so the campaign had to be planned and launched while I am here. I have three large meetings Sunday.

The results of Mr. Johnson's visits to these branches can be seen in the reports that have been slowly coming in from some of these cities. At one meeting in Toledo 106 new members were received, and other similar reports have been received telling of the new life and enthusiasm injected into the branches by Mr. Johnson's visits.

Report accepted.

Report of the Anti-Lynching Committee:
Mr. Walling reported for the Anti-Lynching Committee as follows:

The Secretary has been active in lynching matters which are referred to in his report to the Anti-Lynching Committee.

The Committee met prior to the meeting of the Board and decided to take up the matter of engaging a publicity man to be stationed in Washington from which point there could be issued, with more advantage to the Association than from New York, publicity matter bearing directly or indirectly on lynching. The Committee's view is that this publicity man should have the southern point of view combined with the Association's attitude toward lynching.

The Committee has decided actively to support federal anti-lynching bills of which two had been introduced, one by Congressman Dyer of Missouri, the other by Congressman Moores of Indiana. This would mean participation in public hearings of the House Committee (Judiciary) to which this bill had been referred, and an active endeavor to secure support throughout the country for whichever of these bills seemed most likely to accomplish the purpose the Association had in mind and to have some chance of passage. The Chairman pointed out the opportunities for favorable publicity which this bill would afford, even if it could not be passed.

The Committee intends to ask Miss Gruening to look into the matter of preparing material that might be helpful in promoting the federal anti-lynching bills.

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Allusion was made to negotiations with Dr. Dillard regarding Association support of a Southern publicity committee to be organized by the former, but on account of Dr. Dillard's having gone ahead and organized such a committee without the Anti-Lynching Committee's knowledge and cooperation, the Committee's plans in this direction must apparently be abandoned.

Report accepted.

Report of the Committee on Branches:
Since the last report, applications for charters for the following branches have been received and approved by the Committee on Branches. The number of charter members of each branch is also given:

Winston-Salem, N.C.	80		
Fort Worth, Texas.	117	San Antonio, Texas	117
Rocky Mount, N. C.	36	Isthmian(Colon,C.Z.)	27
Lynchburg, Va.	49	Western University :	
Lincoln, Neb.	47	(College) :	30
Wheeling, W.Va.	52	Kansas City, Kas. :	
Venice, Cal.	25	Fayetteville, N.C.	25
Roanoke, Va.	52	San Jose, Cal.	42

Applications for charters from the following cities have been received and are now in the hands of the Committee:

Darlington, S. C.	26
Wilberforce, O.	318
Charlottesville, Va.	33
Cheyney, Pa.	79
Vallejo, Cal.	71

These total 18 in number with an initial membership of 1220, an average of 68 members of each new branch. Of the 18, 10 are located in the South and 3 in California.

Report accepted.

Report of the Crisis Committee:

Miss Ovington reported for the Crisis Committee that the Committee had not met but that it had as heretofore read and approved Crisis copy and officials. Further consideration of this subject will appear later in the minutes.

Report accepted.

Report of the Legal Committee:

In the absence of Mr. Studin, Chairman of the Legal Committee, it was reported on behalf od the Committee that the Civil Rights Bill drawn by the Committee and introduced into the New York Legislature by Assemblyman E. A. Johnson, had been passed and signed by the Governor.

Three legal cases have been taken up as follows:

(1) The complaint of Mrs. Levi Hurley, Mrs. Beatrice Howard and Miss Zoreta Z. Ifill against the owners of the S. S. Saga, in which it was alleged that they were subjected to indignities by the wireless operator of the ship, was placed in the hands of Wilford H. Smith, an attorney at 150 Nassau Street, New York. On investigation it was shown that the operator was guilty of the offense charged and that the owners of the vessel agreed to pay $50.000 to each of the complainants as a recompense for their unpleasant experience. In view of the fact that the operator was not wholly in the employ of the company but had been ordered on the vessel by the government, Mr. Smith after talking the matter over with Mr. Studin advised the complainants to accept the offer. This matter is being settled by Mr. Smith now.

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(2) COMPLAINT OF JULIA M. BAKER:

On April 22 the complaint of Miss Julia M. Baker against Detective Valentine O'Toole, alleging brutal treatment and unnecessary roughness in making an arrest was heard before Inspector John J. Cray at Police Headquarters on Spring Street. After hearing the witnesses and also the statements of Miss Baker and Detective O'Toole, it was ruled that the statements of the complainant, being unsupported by witnesses, were not sufficient to justify punishment of Detective O'Toole.

(3) ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION AT BUFFALO, N. Y.:

The Association has been advised by Mr. Frank C. Ferguson of Buffalo that discrimination is being practiced by the Curtiss Aeroplane Company of that city, a plant doing government work, in refusing to employ colored girls and women to do unskilled work, although the plant cannot get enough white women to do the work. This was taken up directly with Mr. John D. Ryan, Chairman of the Aircraft Board, who has advised that it be taken up with the Equipment Division of the Signal Corps, which has been done as well as having been referred to Mr. Haynes, the new adviser in the Department of Labor.

Report accepted.

In connection with the report of the Director of Publications and Research two letters were read - one a letter from Dr. Du Bois to Attorney General Gregory dated May 1, in which Dr. Du Bois called the attention of the Attorney General to the number of lynchings which had occurred since the Attorney General had assumed incumbency of the office and the attitude of the Attorney General's Office that the federal government had no jurisdiction in cases of lynching but that following

the lynching of Robert Prager on April 4 at Collinsville, Ill., the federal government had been active. Dr. Du Bois's letter makes inquiry why the Department of Justice found itself able to interfere when a German was lynched in Illinois but was unable to act in the case of Negroes being lynched.

Upon motion of Mr. Walling, duly seconded, it was

RESOLVED, That the Secretary be instructed to address a letter to the Attorney General asking for a reply to Dr. Du Bois's letter of May 1.

The second letter referred to was one from Mr. Studin, Chairman of the Legal Committee, to Dr. Du Bois, a copy of which is attached.

The Board considered the questions raised by the United States Attorney in regard to the Crisis, whereupon the following resolutions resulted:

(1) Upon motion of Dr. Sinclair, duly seconded, it was

RESOLVED, That Mr. Studin, Chairman of the Legal Committee, be added to the personnel of the Crisis Committee.

(2) Upon motion of Mr. Walling, duly seconded, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board recommend to the Crisis Committee that all Crisis material, of whatever character, be passed upon by Mr. Studin before being printed.

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NEW BUSINESS

The following matters of new business were presented and action taken as indicated:

(1) A letter of Stanley Fields Johnson, Division 10, U.S.S. New Hampshire, was read, requesting that the Association interest itself in securing a place for the training of officers for the Navy after the manner of Annapolis.

Upon motion, duly seconded, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve this action if feasible and refer it to the Secretary for further inquiry.

(2) A letter dated May 6 from Mr. George G. Bradford, member of the Boston Branch, was read, recommending that the Association use its organization to promote the War Savings Stamp movement.

Upon motion, duly seconded, it was

RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and that the Crisis be requested to undertake to carry out the recommendations contained in Mr. Bradford's letter.

(3) The Secretary read telegrams and correspondence from Thaddeus W. Wheeler, Secretary of the Dayton, O., Branch, in which Mr. Wheeler asked for a ruling by the Board in regard to an alleged irregularity in the annual election of the Branch. Mr. Wheeler's letter did not specify details of the irregularity charged but asked the question, "Can an alien who has not applied for his first papers to become a citizen of these United States serve as President of the Branch. The Secretary having in a letter dated April 19 explained the constitutional provisions regarding the procedure for the election of branch officers stating that membership provisions make no reference to the question of citizenship and that this question has never before been raised and if raised, would have to be passed upon by the National Board, Mr. Wheeler telegraphed on May 13 requesting that his original letter be referred to the Board of Directors.

After discussion, it was

MOVED, That the matter be referred to the Secretary for adjustment with power. (The Secretary will be in attendance on the Great Lakes Conference at Springfield, O., May 30-31 and expects to visit Dayton immediately thereafter.

(4) The Secretary presented the question whether the Association should be active in endeavoring to secure the appointment of colored nurses in the army and the Red Cross.

It was stated by Dr. Jones and other members of the Board that this matter was apparently receiving attention by other organizations. It was the sense of the Board that no special action need be taken by the Association.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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Guy T. Hamlett
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John R. Shillady

(C O P Y)

May 1st, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have just had a conference with Mr. Earl B. Barnes, Assistant United States Attorney, whom I called upon in response to the United States Attorney's letter to The Crisis under date of April 29th, 1918.

Mr. Barnes directed my attention to the article of Dr. Holmes in the January, 1918, number, page 113, and the article signed "A Voice from the Orient" on page 126. He likewise found fault with the article on page 228 of the March number, pointing out particularly the part commencing "Do they consider themselves prisoners, etc." He wants a complete file of our magazines from last April to date. Will you please see that these are forwarded to me. He also requests that he be put on the mailing list of The Crisis and I will appreciate your seeing that this is done. The magazine should be addressed to him at the United States Attorney's office, Post-Office Building, New York City.

He states that the tone of articles of the kind indicated is calculated to create a feeling of dissatisfaction among colored people and says that the Government proposes to take steps to prevent propaganda of this kind. I pointed out to him the various articles referred to in your notes to me under date of April 30th, 1918, and called his attention to the letters from the Secretary of War and General Ballou. I emphasized the fact that our magazine and those in control of it are loyal to the Government to the last degree and that their paramount purpose is to aid the Government in the prosecution of the war. I also alluded to the fact that a number of our executive officers have gone into the military service of the Government.

Mr. Barnes seemed to feel that in spite of the patriotic stand we had taken and the effective service which the magazine had rendered in promoting the interests of the military establishment of the Government, that the color of some of our articles of the kind criticized by him should be changed during the present juncture. I told him that we would do everything within our means to meet the views of the Government, because, as I said to him, General Pershing himself is not more concerned about winning the war than we are. I knew that in making this statement I was expressing your sentiment as well as that of every other person connected with the organization.

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the opinion that if any articles hereafter could, in your opinion, be open to misconstruction, it might be advisable to have these submitted to the view of some outside person, and suggested that I might be used for this purpose. You understand, that if any such doubt arises in your mind in connection with future articles, you are quite free to call upon me.

It is unfortunate, of course, that in spite of the loyalty and patriotism of The Crisis and its publishers that the Government should have been induced to feel that some things may have been said by it which were better left out of the magazine during this period, and I am confident that the Government can rely upon the assurance I gave Mr. Barnes that hereafter no question will arise as to the whole-hearted determination of The Crisis to render its service in the cause of winning the war.

I return herewith the letter of Secretary of War Baker to yourself dated Dec. 13th, 1917, your copy of letter of April 19th, 1918, to Mr. Baker, Mr. Baker's letter of April 29th, 1918, to you, and General Ballou's letter of April 23rd, 1918, to The Crisis.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Chas. H. Studin.

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COPY

TENNESSEE LAW AND ORDER LEAGUE

Nashville, Tennessee,
May 7, 1918. EXHIBIT C

Mr. John R. Shillady, Secretary,
National Association for Advancement of Colored People.

Dear Sir:

Your telegram of April 24th to the Commercial Club of this city has been handed me, as President of the Tennessee Law and Prder League. This organization, as you are no doubt aware, came into being as the direct result of the lynching at Estill Spring several weeks ago of a Negro who had murdered two young men and wounded a third. We had gotten county organizations fairly under way when the lynching at Lexington, to which you refer, occurred. When we learned that the Negro in question had murdered a sheriff of the County we at once wired prominent citizens of the community asking them to do all in their power to prevent the lynching. Among them was the Circuit Judge of the District. We also endeavored to reach the Governor of the State. He was ill, however, and we could not communicate with him. The Circuit Judge with whom we communicated, and other prominent citizens of Lexington, did their utmost to prevent the [redacted]. They made the mistake of believing they could prevent it without the aid of the State Rangers. They learned that they could not when it was too late. The Judge of this district is a splendid man who feels outraged at the conduct of the mob and will, we feel sure, do all that can be done to punish those who are guilty.

The point you make with regard to the necessity of the best of feeling between the races just now when our country is in the throes of a world war and is face to face with a National crisis is a good one but as a matter of fact this is but incidental. Lynching is a crime. It violates the laws of God and Man and fails to cure the evil against which it is used. The Tennessee Law and Order League has set itself against this monstrous thing and expects to bring against it every possible influence. We have in Nashville many men of prominense among the Negroes, men of education and culture. These men are cooperating with us in every possible way and we have reason to hope and believe that in time the ends we so earnestly desire will be accomplished.

Following soon after the tragedy at Lexington there were very strong indications that another lynching would occur in Robertson County, just north of Nashville. The officers of our organization at once got in touch with the situation and I believe to some extent at least it was through our influence that the law was allowed to take its course.

Just what action may be expected of Governor Rye in the future we are not certain but we have every reason to believe that he will cooperate with us to the extent that he is able. We have become convinced that a law recently passed by the Legislature creating what is known as the State Rangers can be used at the discretion of the Governor to prevent mobs and we are more than hopeful that this agency will be used should future occasions indicate the necessity therefor.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) C. A. CRAIG
President.

COPY

GEORGE PEABODY COLLEGE FOR TEACHERS
Nashville, Tenn.

Office of the President

May 9, 1918.

Mr. Bolton Smith,
Memphis, Tennessee.

EXHIBIT D

My dear Mr. Smith:

We were all so busy here working on the Lexington lynching matter that we did not have time to acknowledge receipt of your telegram. About fifteen or twenty prominent citizens went immediately to the Governor and spent the night talking over the Lexington lynching. We presented the matter to him from every angle, and I think perhaps we succeeded in arousing him somewhat. The answers that we made to his rather doubtful position in the matter are too long to repeat. I shall be glad to talk them over with you sometime. We did have the effect of stopping two lynchings near here the next day./ There were two Negroes arrested at Springfield for somewhat the same kindof attack as in the case of the Lexington affair. The Governor sent several soldiers to Springfield and headed off a lynching.

We got it into the press rather strongly. We printed your telegram in full; there were other communications, resolutions, and editorials. I think that public sentiment is solidly behind us. That is certainly one accomplishment much to be desired.

We are sure that the officers in both counties started the proceedings against the lynchers. The law in both places almost ties the hands of any official outsidethe county. If the grand jury will not indict, and the officials of the county will not send for help, the general opinion is that the Governor cannot send help, and no one outside the county can indict the lynchers. These things must be changed.

The method we must work on now is by the grainger law and the ouster law. The grainger law, as we tried to explain to the Governor allows him to summons a posse comitatus.

The ouster law has to be handled carefully. In other words, the evidence has to be procured by some outside party. The Governor is perfectly willing to oust any sheriff or institute proceedings against any sheriff if there is sufficient evidence worked up by private parties showing that there is a prospect of making a case against that sheriff.

We have been working very hard and very fast on the matter, and I think we have put in some good licks. What is needed is that other communities shall do the same thing. If Memphis, Chattanooga, and Knoxville could have meetings, draw up resolutions, and send them to the Governor, more effect could be gotten.

Your telegram was very effective,and we have a plan to have other men in the state like yourself to send telegrams also on other such occasions.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) BRUCE R. PAYNE

COPY

MISSISSIPPI

Executive Department
Jackson

EXHIBIT E

April 25, 1918.

Mr. Jno. R. Shillady
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Your telegram of the 20th inst. received, and I note with interest your suggestion as to procedure on account of lynching at Poplarville.

Under our system of laws in Mississippi, the Governor would have no jurisdiction in this matter. After the lynching has been committed it is the duty of the Grand Jury of the County to make the investigation and report the violation of the law. I have tried to discourage lynching during my administration and am glad to report that there has been very little of it during my term of office.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) Theo G. Bilbo

GOVERNOR

A

COPY OF TELEGRAM TO PRESIDENT WILSON
(Sent February 13,1918)

"Speaking in behalf of millions of Americans, we respectfully call your attention to the horrible crime at Estill Springs, Tenn., where a fellow-American, accused of murder, was first tortured by hot irons and then slowly burned to death by a mob, the second burning recently of this kind.

"You have spoken out so nobly against German crimes in Belgium and on the high seas that we beg of you to break your silence and to denounce properly these terrible mob acts which cover us with shame and humiliation at the moment that we as a nation would speak and act for justice and righteousness, for decency and humanity abroad."

(Signed) JOHN R. SHILLADY

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To the Editor: **The following news story is sent you without charge and the accuracy of the statements herein made is guaranteed. JOHN R. SHILLADY, Secretary.**

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44-3-22

February 16, 1918.

President Wilson, through J. P. Tumulty, Secretary to the President, acknowledged the receipt of the Association's telegram of protest of the 13th inst., against the torturing and burning of Jim M'Ilheron at Estill Springs, Tenn., and said that the matter would be brought to the attention of the Attorney General.

The following letter was sent to Governor Rye of Tennessee:

Honorable T. C. Rye, Governor,
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

I wired you yesterday in a night letter from Washington as follows:

> "The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, speaking in the name of its ninety branches and ten thousand members, and on behalf of the outraged citizenship of the whole country, appeals to you to take action to bring to justice the perpetrators of the foul wrong against the honor of your State in lynching and torturing on Tuesday night Jim M'Ilheron, a Negro accused of murder. Thousands of colored men in your State and the nation now serving their country in the battle for democracy await Tennessee's answer to their appeal for justice at home."

44-3-19

This Association, composed of representative citizens of both races, believes that such outrages as the one against which we protest are indefensible at any time but are particularly offensive and dangerous to the public welfare when the nation is engaged in a life and death struggle against autocratic powers. Such outrages as this, the third one to occur in your State within nine months, place America in an unenviable position when she seeks to protest, however rightfully, against Belgian atrocities committed by German soldiers.

Memphis, Dyersburg, and now Estill Springs. We ask, for the information of the newspapers receiving our press service, what the great State of Tennessee proposes to do in regard to the violators of her law. I am sure that it is your desire to put the best police and detective ability that can be secured on the trail of these violators of public order. Should lack of funds be an embarrassment to you, this Association offers to put at your disposal funds for this service.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) JOHN R. SHILLADY,
Secretary.

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Release morning papers, February 20, 1918.

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Mr. Shillady calls attention to the fact that the United States Attorney General, to whom the President referred the Association's first appeal, states that the Federal Government has no jurisdiction and that the Governor of Tennessee has made no response to the Association's telegram requesting information as to what steps the State of Tennessee will take to apprehend the mob violators of law. The letter to the President's Secretary follows:

Mr. Joseph P. Tumulty,
Secretary to the President,
Executive Mansion,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of February 14 informing us that the President had referred to the Attorney General our appeal for a word of condemnation of the torturing and burning at Estill Springs, Tenn., of a colored man accused of murder.

This morning we have a letter from the Attorney General, by William C. Fitts, Assistant Attorney General, informing us that "under the decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States, the Federal Government has absolutely no jurisdiction over matters of this kind; nor are they connected with the war in any such way as to justify the action of the Federal Government under the war power."

44-3-24

On February 15 we telegraphed Governor Rye of Tennessee, a copy of which is attached. On the 14th Governor Rye is reported in the Knoxville Journal and Tribune and other Tennessee papers as saying that he did not know what authority he had in the matter. No reply or acknowledgment of our appeal to the Governor of Tennessee has yet been made.

44-3-19

In view of this statement of the Attorney General and the silence of the Governor of Tennessee, we beg you to lay this matter again before the President lest the laws be flouted and justice denied. A statement from the President at this time, if he would be disposed to make it, would have a tremendously stimulating effect on the morale of the colored people whose sons are preparing to give their lives for America and who in sadness of heart and some disturbance of mind are looking apprehensively toward Tennessee to see whether in our own nation law or mob violence is to be supreme.

The President's inspiring moral leadership as a man, no less than his position as President, gives him the opportunity, and may we suggest respectfully, the responsibility, of speaking out. Hundreds of thousands of colored soldiers in the army and millions of their fathers, mothers, sisters and brothers would receive a new baptism of devotion to their country if it were made clear that the equal protection of the laws was to be afforded all men, whether white or black.

This Association wishes it understood that it does not and will not condone the crimes nor apologize for the offenses of colored men.

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February 19, 1918.

RELEASE FOR AFTERNOON PAPERS, FEBRUARY 20, 1918.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People today wired an appeal to the Tennessee senators at Washington, John K. Shields and Kenneth McKellar, and Representative John A. Moon of the Third District, which includes Franklin County, Tenn., and to the Chambers of Commerce and leading commercial organizations of Tennessee cities asking what Tennessee and its commercial bodies propose to do to vindicate her law and clear the fair name of the State in regard to the torturing and burning at Estill Springs, Tenn., of a Negro accused of murder. The following commercial organizations were included: Chamber of Commerce, Chattanooga; Board of Commerce, Knoxville; Commercial Club, McMinnville; Business Men's Club, Memphis; Commercial Club, Nashville; Business Men's Association, Nashville. The telegram follows:

Sirs:

On Lincoln's Birthday, February 12, Jim McIlheron, a colored man, was burned and tortured with red-hot irons by a mob at Estill Springs, Tenn. On February 15 a telegram was sent to Governor Rye of your State requesting information from the Governor as to what the great State of Tennessee was to do concerning this atrocious violation of her public law. No reply has yet been received from the Governor nor have we seen any statements by him in the Tennessee press up to Sunday, the 17th inst., concerning any action he proposed to take. An earlier statement indicated that "the Governor did not know what authority he had in the matter."

Assuming that you have vitally at heart the good name of the fair State of Tennessee, we ask you what action the leaders of your State propose to take to assure the country that law lives and justice reigns in your State. This outrageous flouting of the courts and of the orderly processes of law for the punishment of crime is not the first to occur in your State. Memphis, Dyersburg, and now Estill Springs challenge Tennessee citizens to assert their respect for her laws.

This Association, composed of representative citizens of both races, would be glad of the opportunity to assure the press and people of the nation that Tennessee's representative men are concerned for her law and would welcome vigorous action on your part to that end.

Do you stand for law, or do you approve mob violence?

(Signed) JOHN R. SHILLADY
Secretary.

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The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 70 Fifth Avenue, New York, through its Secretary, John R. Shillady, makes public the reply of Governor Tom C. Rye of Tennessee to the Association's telegram and letter of protest concerning the burning and torturing on February 12 of Jim M'Ilheron, a colored man, at Estill Springs, Tenn. The letter follows:

February 21, 1918.

Mr. John R. Shillady, Secretary,
70 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of February 15th, confirming your telegram of that date in regard to the lynching of the Negro, Jim M'Ilheron, I beg to say that I deplore this murder as much as your Association or any other citizen of our common country, but I could not anticipate that local officers, whose duty it is to take custody of prisoners would fail to accord protection, nor could any action upon my part be taken without being requested so to do by the local authorities or court officers.

I do not seek to shift any responsibility about this or any other case and your telegram was wholly unnecessary in order to impress me with the gravity of the offense committed against the laws of this State or to induce me to take steps whereby the perpetrators of the offense could be found and properly punished.

It would not be wise or prudent for me to detail what steps are being taken by local officials in regard to this case at this time. You may be assured that everything that can be done by me will be done to remove the ground for criticism arising in regard to this unfortunate disregard for law and order in Tennessee.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) Tom C. Rye.

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March 1, 1918.

To the Chief Editorial Writer.

Dear Sir:

If your paper has not already commented editorially on the formation of the Law and Order League at Nashville, Tenn., on Sunday, February 24, we send you herewith a resumé of the report of the organization of this League as taken from the Nashville Banner of February 25, for such editorial comment as you may deem advisable.

We would appreciate receiving a copy of the issue in which any reference to this subject is made.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) JOHN R. SHILLADY
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May 17, 1918.

MEMORANDUM TO THE ANTI-LYNCHING COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL ANTI-LYNCHING BILLS.

The following matters are submitted:

1. At the meeting of the Board of Directors held on Monday, May 13, the report of the Anti-Lynching Committee was adopted by the Board, which report included a statement of the Committee's decision actively to support a federal anti-lynching bill. Two such bills were referred to as having been introduced, one by Congressman L. C. Dyer of Missouri, the other by Congressman Merrill Moores of Indiana.

2. A copy of the bill introduced by Mr. Moores is attached.

3. The differences between the Dyer bill and that of Mr. Moores are as follows:

The Dyer bill is a shorter bill containing only six sections instead of fourteen as contained in the Moores bill.

If you will turn to Section 8, page 6, of the Moores bill and read from that point on, eliminating altogether Section 11 of the Moores bill, you will have before you the exact text of the Dyer bill with the following exceptions:

(a) The Dyer bill applies only to citizens, whereas the Moores bill applies to any person.
(b) Section 3 of the Dyer bill (Section 10 of the Moores bill - the forfeiture is "not less than $5,000 nor more than $10,000" instead of $10,000 flat as in the Moores bill.
(c) The last sentence of this section is omitted from the Dyer bill, i. e., "for the purposes of this section and the one immediately following the District of Columbia shall be deemed,"etc.
(d) Section 11 of the Moores bill is omitted altogether from the Dyer bill.
(e) Sections 12, 13 and 14 of the Moores bill are substantially the same as Sections 4, 5 and 6 of the Dyer bill, with the exception referred to above, that Mr. Dyer's bill is confined to citizens, whereas Mr. Moores's bill deals with any person.
(f) A minor difference is that when the United States Court is referred to it is described in Mr. Dyer's bill as any district or circuit court, whereas in Mr. Moores's bill the reference is solely to any district court.

4. The first seven sections of the Moores bill are not contained in the Dyer bill, so that we have in the Moores bill all that is contained in the Dyer bill, with the exceptions noted in the foregoing.

5. The Secretary's office has had considerable correspondence with Mr. Dyer and a lesser amount of correspondence with Mr. Moores. In addition, Mr. White, Assistant Secretary, under instructions from the Secretary, had an extended conference in Washington with Mr. Dyer

who has requested us to organize a hearing on his bill, which hearing would be before the Judiciary Committee of the House.

4. A letter received May 17 from Mr. Dyer suggests that we fix definitely a date on which our representatives can appear, such date to be between the 20th of June and the 1st of July.

5. Unless we inform Mr. Dyer to the contrary immediately, we will be committed to participating in a hearing on his bill.

6. The question for immediate consideration, then, is, -
Shall we favor the Moores bill or the Dyer bill, or both? It may be possible to arrange for a hearing on both bills, at which we could appear in support of a federal anti-lynching bill in general, although it is much preferred that our advocacy shall be on a specific bill.

The first seven sections of the Moores bill seeme to be directed toward making it possible to take legal steps by which an accused person apprehending mob violence could himself or by proxy appeal for and secure protection of the United States courts and United States marshals. There have been a good many lynchings in which this procedure would afford no relief.

What are the Committee's views on these bills and the points raised?

Further, if we are to undertake a hearing, it is suggested that that hearing be preferably on June 25, 26 or 27. These dates would give us some opportunity to secure the attendance of a representative committee at the hearings. Mr. Dyer suggests that six colored men and six white men be asked to speak. He desires that an argument on the constitutionality of the bill be made.
To secure a fit representation at the hearing we ought to begin as soon as possible to invite our people and to arrange for an argument on the constitutionality of the bill.

There is the further possibility of consulting the Attorney General as to whether his administration will introduce a bill of its own dealing with lynching, will favor one of the bills already introduced, or a modification, or whether it would be opposed to such legislation. If the Attorney General's views are to be ascertained, this should be done at once.

May 22, 1918.

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. DU BOIS:

At the meeting of the Board of Directors on May 13, the following motions were passed which concern the Crisis:

1. RESOLVED, That Mr. Studin, Chairman of the Legal Committee, be added to the personnel of the Crisis.

2. That the Board recommend to the Crisis Committee that all Crisis material, of whatever character, be passed upon by Mr. Studin before being printed.

The Board felt that you would understand its action in this matter.

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There was also passed a resolution that the recommendation of Mr. George G. Bradford, member of the Boston Branch, that the Association use its organization to promote the War Saving Stamp movement be approved and that the Crisis be requested to undertake to carry out the recommendations contained in Mr. Bradford's letter.

John R. Shillady
Secretary.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors

June 10, 1918

The June meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was held in the editorial offices of the Crisis, 70 Fifth Avenue, at four o'clock pursuant to notice, Miss Ovington presiding.

Present: Messrs. Studin, Arthur B. Spingarn, Hurst, Du Bois, Sinclair, Dr. Jones, Mrs. Kelley, Miss Ovington, the Secretary and the Assistant Secretary.

Regrets from Dr. Holmes and Miss Wald.

The minutes of the May meeting were approved as sent out.

The report of the Treasurer, previously sent to the members of the Board, was read by the Secretary and accepted.

Report of the Acting Chairman:
The Acting Chairman told briefly of some of the results of the Moorfield Storey Drive and stated that the details were all given in the report of the Secretary to be read later.
Report accepted.

Report of the Director of Publications and Research:
Eighty thousand copies of the May CRISIS were published and 74,000 to date have been sold.
The cash income during the month of May was $5,536; the cash balance, $1,609; the net worth, $11,700.
During the month of May the Director delivered 24 lectures in Virginia, West Virginia and North Carolina. He found conditions most encouraging both in general matters and with regard to the N.A.A.C.P. and THE CRISIS. A detailed report of this trip will be given later.
The Director would call the attention of the Association to the possibility of closer relations of the N.A.A.C.P. and the Circle for Negro War Relief and would recommend that a small committee, including the Chairman and the Secretary, be invited to investigate this subject.
Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Crisis Committee:
The Crisis Committee met in Room 521, 70 Fifth Avenue, Friday, June 7.
The recommendation of the Board was taken up and it was voted that Mr. Studin pass upon all matter appearing in THE CRISIS relating to the war or the government; that in general it be the policy of THE CRISIS during the war to confine itself to facts and constructive criticism.
VOTED that since the financial condition of THE CRISIS warrants it, fifty dollars a month be added to the salary of the Director of Publications and Research in accordance with the vote of the Board and on its recommendation.
Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Secretary:
The Secretary gave a brief outline of the activities of the Association since the May meeting:

MOORFIELD STOREY DRIVE:
The Secretary read the results of the Moorfield Storey Drive and these figures will be given in the July issue of the Crisis.

ANTI-LYNCHING:
A report prepared for the Anti-Lynching Committee, which was approved by this Committee, concerning the activities of the Executive Office on the subject of lynching from May 10 to June 3 is attached. Press stories included in the report are omitted but may be consulted if desired.

DAYTON BRANCH:
The friction in the Dayton (O.) Branch of the Association regarding the election of a member, not a citizen of the United States, as an officer of the Branch, has finally been adjusted, and this member has been elected as President of the Branch. The Secretary was present in Dayton and spoke at a meeting there, and all differences are now apparently settled.

RED CROSS:
The Secretary reports that no action has yet been taken by the government with regard to the utilization of Negro nurses through the medium of the Red Cross Society either in America or in foreign service.

PUBLICITY:
From May 13 to June 3 six press stories have been sent out from the Secretary's office, 3 to governors of states concerning lynchings, 1 in answer to an editorial in the Shreveport Times, and 1 in answer to a letter of J. Madison Vance, a colored attorney of New Orleans, also 1 concerning the resolutions of the Tennessee Conference of Charities and Corrections condemning lynching and asking for federal intervention. A letter was also sent to the editors of newspapers concerning an anti-lynching campaign.
The practice of sending copies of press stories to the Secretaries of branches has met with unusual success, is arousing a great deal of interest among the branches, and promises to effect a closer union between the National Office and the branches.

MEETINGS:
Since the May meeting the Secretary has addressed meetings as follows: On May 15, at the home of Mr. Adolph Lewisohn, New York City, in the interest of the Manassas School; on May 16, at Williamsbridge; on May 21, at Camp Meade. The Secretary attended the Great Lakes Conference on the 30th and 31st, at which time the branches at Detroit, Cleveland, Toledo, Springfield, O., Dayton, Columbus, Pittsburgh and Wilberforce, O., (Greene County Branch), were represented. He spoke at Cleveland on June 2, Wilberforce on the 3rd, Xenia on the 3rd, Dayton on the 4th, and Cincinnati on the 5th. The Secretary reports encouraging interest being manifested in the work of the Association by all the Middle Western branches, especially those represented at the Conference.
The Assistant Secretary addressed the Orange Branch at a large and enthusiastic meeting on June 3. He also spoke before the Congress on Higher Education of Working People, at the College of the City of

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New York, on May 31, on "Deficiencies of Education for Negro Wage-Earners -- Some means of Improvement."

The Secretary told of a letter written to Attorney General Gregory regarding his statement to the American Bar Association denouncing lynching, which the Secretary commented upon, asking that it be applied to all of the people of the country and not particularly to enemy aliens who might be lynched by mobs.

The Secretary told of the exclusion of the Crisis from Camp Gordon, near Atlanta, Ga., by the officers, this fact having been reported by Asa H. Gordon, Y. M. C. A. Secretary (colored) at the camp. This matter is being held in abeyance awaiting further information from Mr. Gordon.

Report accepted.

Report of the Field Secretary:

Since the report made at the May meeting the Field Secretary has completed his Western trip and immediately upon his return to the New York office left for the South where he delivered the Baccalaureate address at the Florida A. & M. College, Tallahassee, Fla., and addressed the branches at Jacksonville, Savannah and Atlanta. The Field Secretary reports large and enthusiastic audiences at each of these places.

Since the last report applications for charter have been received from the following cities; the number of charter members received with applications is given with each city:

Sacramento, Cal.	57	Asheville, N.C.	53
Morgantown, W.Va.	19	Bluefield, W.Va.	25
Muncie, Ind.	18	Ottumwa, Ia.	25
Farrell, Pa.	16	Ft. Wayne, Ind.	25
Adrian, Mich.	31	Stockton, Cal.	25
Houston, Texas	80	Akron O.	108
		Salt Lake City	27

The applications of those branches given above which contain less than 25 members will be held up until at least 25 members have been secured before these applications will be finally received, as is the custom. It is the opinion of the Secretaries that the minimum membership of 25 members for making application for branch charter should be increased to 50 members. It is felt that persons working for the establishment of a branch in a city large enough to maintain a branch, if they are of the sort desired for the handling of affairs as representatives of the Association, should exert a sufficiently powerful influence to secure at least 50 persons as charter members. In cities where there is not a sufficient number of interested persons to secure 50 members at the outset, it is felt that the branch will have little chance of surviving after the initial enthusiasm wears off. This is offered as a suggestion to the Board.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Committee on Branches:

The report of this Committee was included in the report of the Field Secretary previously given.

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Report of the Legal Committee:

Mr. Studin, Chairman of the Legal Committee, reported the following activities of the Committee since the May meeting:

1. Alleged discrimination at Buffalo N. Y. This matter of alleged discrimination against colored girls and women applying at the plant of the Curtiss Aeroplane Company, which was reported at the May meeting, was referred to Hon. John D. Ryan Chairman of the Aircraft Board, in a letter of inquiry asking if the policy of discrimination against colored girls had been adopted by his Board. A reply was received from an official of the Aircraft Board stating that the Curtiss Company was an independent corporation doing government work and as such the government had no jurisdiction over the labor policy of the Company. The matter is being taken up direct by the Buffalo Branch with the Curtiss Company.

2. The Association is in receipt of a complaint from John W. Lee, a street cleaner of the City of New York of 24 West 140th Street, who was assaulted by a sailor and a citizen while in the performance of his duty, both of his assailants being intoxicated. A police officer was standing nearby and refused to take any action against the assailants or to protect Mr. Lee. This matter has been referred to the New York Branch and is now being investigated. Action will be brought against the police officer for failing to perform his duty.

Report accepted.

NEW BUSINESS

FEDERAL AID TO NEGRO EDUCATION:

Mrs. Kelley suggested that the question of Federal Aid to Negro Education, which was handled by the late Dr. McKelway, be actively taken in hand by the Association so that the constructive work which was done by Dr. McKelway be not lost. Mrs. Kelley was of the opinion that unless something is done to keep this matter before the public, all of the work already accomplished would necessarily have to be done over. She also suggested that this matter be referred to Mr. Walling giving him authority to take action in the matter.

BUNDY CASE:

The Secretary reported that a letter had been received from the St. Louis Branch stating that the Branch had severed connection with the Bundy defense because of disapproval of Dr. Bundy's actions in relation to funds and the inability of Dr. Bundy and the Branch to find a common basis of agreement. Dr. Bundy and his wife are said to have collected over $500 from various sources and to have refused to turn same over to the Branch. The letter from the Secretary of the Branch also stated that Dr Bundy had incurred debts to the amount of $2,000 which he asked the Branch to pay and suggested that the Branch give him authority to make a nation-wide tour to raise funds for his defense. It was the opinion of the Branch that this latter was unnecessary as the money was not needed, the case being practically completed for the trial in September. It was the opinion of the Branch that it would be unfair to the public to solicit funds when these funds were not absolutely needed. Upon the refusal of the Branch to grant this authority to Dr. Bundy, he became indignant and left the meeting. At about the same time a telegram was received at the National Office from Judge Brown and Dr. Bentley of the Chicago Branch stating that Dr. Bundy was

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in Chicago and desired a hearing before the Board of Directors of the Association.

Captain Spingarn stated that the original definite agreement at the time that the Association became interested in the defense of Dr. Bundy was that all moneys collected were to be handled only through the St. Louis Branch and Mr. Nagel, and that Dr. Bundy was to turn over all such moneys to the Branch.

Dr. Du Bois suggested that if a hearing was to be granted to Dr. Bundy, the President and Chairman of the Executive Committee of the St. Louis Branch be brought also to the Board at the same hearing.

Captain Spingarn stated that he was against establishing the precedent of granting a hearing to Dr. Bundy as future complainants of all sorts would feel that they were entitled to a hearing before the Board.

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On motion of Mr. Studin, duly seconded, it was

VOTED:

1. That Judge Brown and Dr. Bentley, President and Vice-President respectively of the Chicago Branch, be requested to represent the Directors in receiving from Dr. Bundy any statement he cares to make concerning his differences with the St. Louis Branch.

2. That when such statement has been presented to the National Office, a copy of it will be submitted to the St. Louis Branch and to the Hon. Charles Nagel who, at the request of Mr. Arthur Spingarn, Chairman of the Legal Committee, has acted as Counsel in the Bundy case.

3. That should Dr. Bundy desire it, a hearing before the Legal Committee, and the Executive Officers, will be granted him in New York at a time mutually to be agreed upon.

CIRCLE FOR NEGRO WAR RELIEF:

On motion of Dr. Du Bois, duly seconded, it was

VOTED, That some action be taken regarding keeping alive the Circle for Negro War Relief, as this organization has put forth worthy efforts and is worth conserving.

Dr. Jones, Dr. Du Bois and the Secretary were chosen to investigate the matter of taking over the Circle for Negro War Relief.

NEW BRANCHES:

On motion of Dr. Du Bois, duly seconded, it was

VOTED, That the recommendation of the Secretary, that the minimum membership of 25 members for making application for branch charter be increased to 50, be adopted.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mary W. Ovington

Acting Chairman, Board of Directors.

John R. Shillady

Secretary.

June 10 1918.

REPORT OF JOHN R. SHILLADY, SECRETARY, TO THE ANTI-LYNCHING COMMITTEE

Concerning the Activities of the National Office in regard to Lynchings, from May 13, 1918, to June 10, inclusive.

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EXHIBIT A

May 13, 1918.

RELEASED TO THE COLORED PRESS FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLICATION:

The National Asscciation for the Advancement of Colored People makes public the following letter, dated May 10, of John R. Shillady, its Secretary, to the editor of the Shreveport Times, Shreveport, La. The editor of the Louisiana publication having published a long editorial occasioned by the protest made by Secretary Shillady on account of recent Louisiana lynchings in which the editor told Mr. Shillady that no outside scolds were needed and that Louisiana would take care of her own lynching problem, Mr. Shillady retorts as follows:

May 10, 1918.

Editor,
The Shreveport Times,
Shreveport, La.

Dear Sir:

I do not know whether you will admit to your columns a comment on your editorial of April 30 under the good-tempered heading. "No Outside Scolds Needed," and in which you advise me to eliminate myself from your lynching problem until my intervention is asked for.

In the first place, no good is to come from calling names. Secondly, one of the purposes of this Association is to bring home to the people of the United States that a lynching in any state is the concern not alone of that state but of the nation as a whole. It is appreciated that good citizens of Louisiana, like good citizens everywhere, stand for law and order and deplore mob violence. More than verbal disapprobation of lynching is needed, however. The United States is at war to make the world safe for democracy. Abroad our President is recognized as the world's moral leader. His prestige in this regard must not be clouded by actions at home which would tend to embarrass him in upholding the rights of the weak and the supremacy of law. Provincialism must go. Louisiana, like every other state, is now acting in the world's arena. She cannot sit back and call any Americans outsiders.

Furthermore, this Association has two branches within the state of Louisiana, for which it speaks as for its one hundred other branches in various parts of the country.

Mr. Editor, let us face the facts for a moment. Since the United States entered the war there have occurred the East St. Louis riots, in which 175 Negro men, women and children were killed. Aside from the East St. Louis riots there have occurred within the same period according to our information, a minimum of forty-six lynchings in forty-four of which Negroes were victims. The largest number of these occurred in Louisiana who has eleven to her credit. In Texas during this period 9 Negroes were lynched, in Georgia 7, in Tennessee 5, in Alabama 4, in Mississippi 3, and in eleven other states smaller numbers. These figures show that the largest number of lynchings per se have occurred within your state.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People takes no delight in presenting this to you. It does so in sadness of heart. Is it not clear that the most determined efforts are necessary on the part of Louisiana's good citizens and her press to bring about action. Would not the prosecution of lynchers be more effective than any other action that could be taken?

Very truly yours,

(Signed) JOHN R. SHILLADY

Secretary.

Mr. Shillady also makes public his reply to a letter addressed to him by J. Madison Vance of Baton Rouge, La., a Negro, in which Mr. Vance endeavors to set the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People right as to Governor Pleasant's attitude on lynching. Mr. Vance alleged that on more than one occasion Governor Pleasant had said to him, "I am unalterably opposed to mob violence," and that the Governor was now pursuing an inquiry as to the cause of the recent lynchings to which Mr. Shillady's telegram referred. Mr. Vance's letter, which appeared in some of the Louisiana papers, also said in part:

> "In Louisiana we both look upon this momentous question from different angles. We do not agree upon the method of its suppression. You seem to think that force is the proper remedy. I believe in educating the masses in the various communities to a realization of its abhorrent features. The stigma cast upon a particular community where lynching occurs is a blot upon everyone in the state which only time can wipe out. Mould this sentiment; crystalize it into a homogeneous mass. Put it behind the name of Governor Pleasant's stalwartness and let him lead the drive. Believe me, I promise that he will get the results."

Mr. Shillady's reply, in which he quotes from a letter received by him from a group of colored men in Louisiana who approve Secretary Shillady's protests against Louisiana lynchings and who disapprove of Mr. Vance's attitude follows:

May 10, 1918.

Mr. J. Madison Vance,
Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Sir:

Yours of April 27 was received in this office some days ago. My delay in acknowledgment has been due to my absence from the city.

I have read what you have had to say in justification of Governor Pleasant's attitude with sympathetic attention. You appear wholly to misunderstand the text of our appeal to the Governor, or have not read it. I am sending you a copy of the appeal since it may not have been printed in full in the Louisiana papers. The facts therein cited are that since the United States entered the war Louisiana has lynched eleven Negroes without trial and that six of these lynchings have occurred since January 1 of this year.

The question raised by us is not to be answered by an affirmation that Governor Pleasant is unalterably opposed to mob violence. We need no assurance of this character as, without knowing Governor Pleasant personally, we are fully prepared to believe that he as an individual is as much opposed to mob violence as is the writer. The point is that Mr. Pleasant is Governor of Louisiana and that a mere verbal affirmation of his belief in law and order and of his opposition to mob violence is not sufficient under the circumstances. We ask you to imagine what Governor Pleasant would have done if since the United States entered the war a year ago eleven white men had been lynched by Negroes in your state. The facts are that Louisiana's laws have been flouted and that in no case have the lynchers been brought to trial.

There is nothing that would please us better than to be able to testify that the Governor of your state was so much opposed to mob violence that he did not rest content with voicing his opposition but that he took action that would result in the lynchers being brought before a court of law for trial.

Furthermore, our appeal to Governor Pleasant was addressed to the people of the State of Louisiana, for whom Governor Pleasant is but the agent. For this reason we addressed copies of it to the Chambers of Commerce of Baton Rouge, Shreveport and New Orleans. These repeated lynchings of colored men for crimes for which the state has provided ample means of punishment are an affront against the nation as a whole and are no longer the concern of a single state.

One of the best means of educating the masses in the communities of your state to a realization of the abhorrent features of lynching would be to have lynchers tried in the regular courts of law.

I am in receipt of a letter from a group of colored men in your state who express an entirely different opinion than that expressed by you. I quote the following:

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"The thinking men of our race condemn the action of Mr. Vance and appreciate in the highest terms your very patriotic action in calling upon the Governor for action in this case."

Our correspondents also assert that nothing is being done in Louisiana to educate the white masses in the various communities to the abhorrent features of lynching. We are also advised by them that your leadership among your race is not as you would allow us to believe.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) JOHN R. SHILLADY

Secretary.

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EXHIBIT B

May 16, 1918.

RELEASED FOR THE PAPERS OF SUNDAY, May 19:

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, through its Secretary, John R. Shillady of New York, makes public resolutions passed within the last few days by the Tennessee State Conference of Charities and Corrections. Mr. Shillady announces that the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is much gratified to note the patriotic activities of the Tennessee Law and Order League in its endeavor to create public opinion in that state which will make the lynching and burning of Negroes at the stake impossible in the future.

The resolutions of the Tennessee Conference of Charities and Corrections call upon the President of the United States to issue a proclamation to the American people to the effect that the lynching of Negroes by white mobs constitutes a crime against the nation, and appeal to Congress to pass laws so declaring and giving to federal grand juries and federal courts the right to indict and the power to try lynchers.

The resolutions refer to the lynching of Negroes by whites as treasonable to the nation, as striking at the very root of national solidarity and efficiency; they declare that mob lynchings will have the effect of increasing the length of the war and the cost in dead and wounded and that their occurrence gives aid and comfort to the enemy.

The resolutions of the Tennessee Conference of Charities and Corrections follow:

"WHEREAS, the excitement connected with this stupendous war appears to have undermined the self control of some of the American people to such an extent that lynchings seem to be occurring with increasing frequency; and

WHEREAS, such occurrences are incompatible with the principles of justice and democracy for which we are fighting; and

WHEREAS, the lynching of men of one blood or race by those of another is not at this time an ordinary act of lawlessness which may be left to the local authorities but strikes at the very root of our national solidarity and efficiency, by raising issues of race and of blood among our own people and will inevitably increase the length of the war and the cost in dead and wounded we will have to pay for victory and thus give aid and comfort to the enemy; and

WHEREAS, we do not believe those guilty of this lawlessness realize the treasonable effect of their act;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Tennessee Conference of Charities and Corrections in Convention assembled does hereby respectfully petition the President of the United States to issue a proclamation to the American People on the subject; and

WHEREAS, such acts do in fact amount to crimes against the nation, we do further petition Congress to pass an act so declaring and giving federal Grand Juries and Courts the right to indict and try those charged therewith.

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May 22, 1918.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, through its Secretary, John R. Shillady, makes public the following telegrams to Governor Hugh M. Dorsey of Georgia and to the Chamber of Commerce of Atlanta and the Board of Trade of Savannah, protesting against the lynching of four Negroes, Will Head, Will Thompson, Hayes Turner and the latter's wife, in Brook County, Ga., on Friday and Saturday last. The lynchings were the result of the murder of a white farmer growing out of a dispute between the farmer and his tenants over a financial account. The Association's telegrams urge that prompt action be taken to bring the lynchers before the courts for trial and to prevent the lynching of another Negro who at last accounts was being pursued by the same mob which has already lynched three men and one woman. The Association's telegrams follow:

May 20, 1918.

Hon. Hugh M. Dorsey, Governor,
Atlanta, Ga.

Press dispatches report the lynching of four Negroes, Will Head, Will Thompson, Hayes Turner and the latter's wife, in Brook County, Ga., on Friday and Saturday last as the result of the murder of a white farmer growing out of a dispute between the farmer and his tenants over a financial account. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People urges that you take prompt and emphatic action to bring the violators of your law before the courts for trial and to prevent the lynching, if it has not already taken place, of another Negro who at last accounts was being pursued by the same mob which has already taken vengeance on four Negroes, one of these being a woman. Eleven Negroes have been lynched in Georgia since September 15, 1917, all charged with crimes for which the law provides ample remedy. The lynching of Negroes

without trial has long since ceased to be the concern of any individual locality or state. The Tennessee Law and Order League has properly characterized the lynching of Negroes at a time when the nation is at war as treason against the United States. The eyes of the nation are now fixed upon Georgia to see whether your state will vindicate her laws and insist upon legal punishment of those who have defied her courts and flaunted their disregard for law in the faces of Georgia's law-abiding people and of the justice loving citizens of the United States.

(Signed) John R. Shillady, Secretary,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT
OF COLORED PEOPLE.

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Chamber of Commerce, (Duplicate to Board of Trade, Savannah, Ga.)
Atlanta, Ga.

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The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, composed of representative citizens of both races, in the name of its one hundred branches in one hundred cities of the country, with their 25,000 members, and in the name of the law-abiding citizens of the nation, appeals to you to urge Governor Dorsey, whom we have just addressed on this subject, to take vigorous action to bring before the courts the flouters of your law in the case of the lynching of four Negroes, one of them a woman, in Brook County, Ga., on Friday and Saturday last. We have called the Governor's attention to the fact that eleven Negroes have been lynched in Georgia since September, 1917, all charged with crimes for which your law provides ample remedy. The Tennessee Law and Order League, the Tennessee Conference of Charities and Corrections, the Memphis Chamber of Commerce, the Lake Charles, La., and the New Orleans, La., Chambers of Commerce, have recently taken strong stands condemning lynching. Lynching of Negroes during time of war has been characterized by the Tennessee Law and Order League and the Tennessee Conference of Charities and Corrections as treason against the nation. Commercial bodies, jealous for the honor of their respective states, owe it to themselves and to the nation to assert the supremacy of law. The apprehension of the lynchers of Negroes would stimulate the country to a new sense of patriotic regard for the courts as has the recent action of the State of Illinois in indicting sixteen men for the lynching of Robert Prager.

(Signed) John R. Shillady, Secretary.
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EXHIBIT D **May 25, 1918.**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

John R. Shillady, on behalf of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, of which he is Secretary, makes public a letter sent to Governor Tom C. Rye of Tennessee, in which Mr. Shillady repeats the text of a telegram sent by him from Washington on Wednesday night in regard to the lynching and burning of Thomas Devert at Erwin, Tenn., on Monday night. Mr. Shillady points out that the forcing of the whole Negro population of the town to line up and witness the burning of Devert's body added to the horror of lynching that of terrorizing innocent and law-abiding citizens whose only offense lies in their color. The letter follows:

May 24, 1918.

Hon. Tom C. Rye, Governor,
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

I wired you on May 22 from Washington as follows:

> Lynching and burning of body of Thomas Devert at Erwin, Tenn., Monday night, again makes it patriotic duty of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to urge that you bring to trial in Tennessee Courts lynchers who by repeated burnings of Negroes accused of crime are imperiling unity of nation at this most critical time. Five out of the six lynchings occurring in your State since our country entered the war have been accompanied by burnings either before or after death. This last case adds to previous horrors that of forcing the whole Negro population of Erwin to line up and witness burning of Devert's body, thus avenging crime of an individual by terrorizing innocent law-abiding people whose only offense lies in their color. Every patriotic American must realize danger to national welfare involved in allowing lawless elements to believe themselves free to lynch and burn Negroes without fear of swift and certain punishment. Your State cannot sit back and say as you have in the past that your laws are inadequate to punish lynchers. We implore you in the name of our common country to exhaust every resource of law, money and patriotic endeavor to stem the peril which these burnings show to be one of terrible reality.

The frequency with which men are lynched and burned in Tennessee as well as the recent lynchings in Louisiana, Mississippi and Georgia,

seems to point to an epidemic of this crime. Lynching is indefensible at any time, but when the nation is at war the lynching of Negroes by whites becomes a matter of extreme danger to the country as a whole lest such outrages be regarded as an attack by the white elements of our population upon the colored. I need not point out to you the patriotic duty owed by every American in such a crisis as the country now faces. The duty and responsibility of a Governor to stop these lynchings, it seems to us, transcend every other duty which the law imposes upon him.

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Sincerely yours,

(Signed) John R. Shillady, Secretary
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
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EXHIBIT E

RELEASED TO THE MORNING PAPERS OF JUNE 4:

June 3, 1918.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, through its Secretary, John R. Shillady, makes public a telegram sent yesterday to Governor W. P. Hobby of Texas protesting against the lynching of Mrs. Sarah Cabiness and her five sons at Huntsville, Texas, and the fatal wounding of her daughter, on June 1, as the result of an altercation between a white man and George Cabiness. Mr. Shillady calls the attention of the Governor to the fact that sixteen Negroes have been lynched in the State of Texas alone since America entered the war, and pointedly asks the Governor concerning his action in bringing to justice the murderers of the six Negroes. At a time when 157,000 Negroes are offering their lives for the preservation of the ideals of democracy, the Association wishes to know if the Negroes of Texas are to be given their share of the democracy for which they are fighting. The telegram follows:

June 3, 1918.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, Governor,
Austin, Texas.

Press dispatches in New York papers June first state that Mrs. Sarah Cabiness, a colored woman, and her five sons were shot to death by a mob at Huntsville, Texas, on June first, and her daughter fatally wounded because of altercation between white man and George Cabiness. In the name of its one hundred twenty-five branches with over thirty thousand members of both races as well as all other justice loving people of our country, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People protests in the strongest terms against this outrage and urges you to use every power at your command to bring the perpetrators to justice. Two hundred forty-seven Negroes have been victims of mob violence since the United States entered the war. Sixteen of this number have been lynched in the state of Texas alone. At a time when one hundred fifty-seven thousand Negroes are in France or preparing to go, offering their lives for the preservation of our country, it behooves Texas to do everything through

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its officials to stamp out mob violence. The laws of Texas are adequate to punish all offenders against them. Lynching is a cancerous growth upon the body politic and unless checked will spread as it has done during the orgy of bloodshed in your State and in Georgia during the past two weeks. Is Texas going to uphold her laws in this present crisis?

John R. Shillady, Secretary,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

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Du Bois - Personal

Statement of E. St. Louis Expenses

June 10, 1918

Investigation and Traveling Expenses of -

Dr. Du Bois	$350.00
Martha Gruening	250.00
W. G. Swain	216.30
Arthur Spingarn	73.60
Printing of article in The Crisis	388.76
5000 reprints of " " "	108.28
News cuts	19.50
Miscellaneous	7.11
Transmitted to St. Louis branch Oct. 31, 1917 . .	200.00
" " " " " Mar. 31, 1918 . .	750.00
	$2,363.55

Total contributions for the E. St. Louis Fund to May 31, 1918	2,231.69
	131.86

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Memo to Mr. Dill [NAACP] [1918?]

We will confer Friday morning after mail on these or such other points as you suggest:

1. The Directors June 10 voted to increase my salary another $50 per month. This will begin with June; please deposit check for June salary today or tomorrow.
2. I should be glad of suggestions as to yours or any other salaries
3. I am writing the auditor on a system by which individual salaries hereafter can be kept in a private ledger accessible only to you me & the directors I learn this is practicable.
4. Has Calloway been paid in full:
5. They are trying to tax us $131 for income but Studin is working on it
6. How about the Zone system
7. How about extra help — a travelling man (I think this indispensable), an ad. man, more clerks summer help. — Reduction of your work & responsibility.
8. Vacations. I shall vacate in July. You ought to go not later than September.

W.E.B.D

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Charles P7

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June 13, 1918.

MEMORANDUM TO MR. WHITE

Mr. Frank Andrews, 69 West 36 Street, 'phone Greeley 5197, has a musical instrument which he wishes to give to some of the colored military bands. Kindly find where the need is and let him know.

Treasurer's Report
of the
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Month of June 1918

Receipts		Expenditures	
General Fund			
Balance in bank May 31,	$6317.77	Salaries	048.30
" Petty Cash Fund	100.00	Postage	195.59
		Printing	64.85
Memberships	$5174.65	Rent	50.00
		Telegrams	25.55
Contributions	1221.69	Telephone	20.14
		General Expense and Supplies	69.44
Bulletin sales	30.00	Membership fees refunded to Branches	442.00
		Traveling Expense	181.17
Pins and Buttons	76.63	Crisis - May Account	573.80
Contribution from D. of C. Branch to cover cost of printing literature sent-81.63		Total	$2670.84
	$6584.60	Balance in bank June 30-	10,331.53
		" Petty Cash Fund	100.00
	$13,002.37		$13,002.37

Special Funds

Balances in banks May 31 -		June Expenditures -	
Anti-Lynching Fund	$6655.77	Anti-Lynching Fund - Traveling Expense -Advanced to Mr. White for Southern trip	$100.00
Maclean Memorial Fund	215.34		
Legal Fund	62.50		
Jim Crow Fund	8.00		
		Multigraphing	40.25
June Receipts-		Telegrams	11.96
Anti-Lynching Fund	15.00		
Legal Fund	1.00	Balances in banks June 30 -	
		Anti-Lynching Fund	6518.56
		Maclean Memorial Fund	215.34
		Jim Crow Fund	8.00
		Legal Fund	63.50
	$6957.61		$6957.61

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Jas Parker

In one year July 1 1917
to June 30, 1918 The Crisis
used

154560 lbs, made paper
12194 " Coated Cover paper
7230 " cut " "

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TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

I have been called into consultation with the General Staff of the Army at Washington with a view to my accepting a commission and joining the Military Intelligence Bureau for service during the war. If the plan should be carried through, I would be associated with Major Spingarn in a constructive attempt to guide Negro public opinion by removing pressing grievances of colored folk which hinder the prosecution of the war.

Both for the Association and myself Major Spingarn and Miss Ovington agree with me that it would be wise to accept this offer if it is finally made; but, of course, I cannot do this if the acceptance involves the giving up of what I regard as my life work - THE CRISIS, or if it reduces my present income. The military authorities are willing that I should retain control of THE CRISIS and receive from it an income supplementary to that which the Government would pay.

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I, therefore, ask the Board to consider this action

VOTED that the commission with the General Staff which may be offered to the Director of Publications and Research for the duration of the war be considered work for this Association and that Dr. Du Bois retain his ~~xxxx~~ present relation to THE CRISIS and that in view of past services his income from the Government be supplemented by such part of his present salary as is not necessarily expended for extra editorial help.

W. E. B. Du Bois,

July 2, 1918.

[JULY 2, 1918]

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

I have been called into consultation with the General Staff of the Army at Washington with a view to my accepting a commission and joining the Military Intelligence Bureau for service during the war. If the plan should be carried through, I would be associated with Major Spingarn in a constructive attempt to guide Negro public opinion by removing pressing grievances of colored folk which hinder the prosecution of the war.

Both for the Association and myself Major Spingarn and Miss Ovington agree with me that it would be wise to accept this offer if it is finally made; but, of course, I cannot do this if the acceptance involves the giving up of what I regard as my life work - THE CRISIS, of if it reduces my present income. The military authorities are willing that I should retain control of THE CRISIS and receive from it an income supplementary to that which the Government would pay.

I, therefore, ask the Board to consider this action

VOTED That the commission with the General Staff which may be offered to the Director of Publications and Research for the duration of the war be considered work for this Association and that Dr. DuBois retain his present relation to THE CRISIS and that in view of past services his income from the Government be supplemented by such part of his present salary as is not necessarily expended for extra editorial help.

W. E. B. DuBois

S. PHILIP'S PARISH HOUSE
215 WEST ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THIRD STREET
NEW YORK CITY

RECTOR'S OFFICE

July 3, 1918

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
70 Fifth Avenue
New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

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I very heartily concur in the resolution suggested and if present at the meeting when it is presented I will vote for it. This is not only a splendid opportunity and great gain for the Association but a most significant vindication of your unfaltering position in matters vitally affecting the race. I trust the matter will go through.

Sincerely yours,

Hutchens C. Bishop

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GEORGE W. CRAWFORD
COUNSELOR AT LAW
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NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

July 3, 1918.

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
New York, N.Y.

My dear DuBois:

I have your letter containing statement concerning the proposed commission as member of the General Staff. I shall make it my business to come on to New York to the meeting called for next Monday. I suggest should the offer of the commission come before that time, that you arrange to give answer thereon after Monday. I can see possibilities in the thing both ways. Of course the position with the War Intelligence Bureau would be a magnificent thing for the race and for the Association. However, I would want to assure that the interim arrangements for the editorship and management of "The Crisis" should be such that there would be absolutely no chance of interrupting present satisfactory conditions. This is a very general statement, but I think on a little reflection you can probably guess what I have particularly in mind.

I also suggest in my capacity as your personal friend, that in the event a commission comes, and you decide with the consent of the Board to accept it, you go pretty slowly about the arrangements to be made for "The Crisis". I

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(W.E.B.D.-2)

would like to have a talk with you before you have committed yourself to the final arrangements to be made. I will try to get down to New York early enough to see you before the meeting Monday afternoon.

Very truly yours,

George W. Crawford

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CHURCH *of* THE MESSIAH
PARK AVENUE AND THIRTY-FOURTH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Office of
THE MINISTER

July 3, 1918.

Dr. W.E.B.DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 2nd,with enclosure,to Mr. Holmes. Mr. Holmes is out of town on his vacation, and as he desired to be relieved of all correspondence, you will understand why you do not receive a personal reply regarding the matter you bring to his attention.

Very truly yours,
Ward C. Baker
Secretary.

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BISHOP JOHN HURST
1808 McCULLOH STREET
BALTIMORE, MD.

Baltimore, July 3, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I vote in the affirmative for the entire ~~question~~ proposition as put. I think the Race would be extremely favored in having you connected with the Military Intelligence Bureau during the War. I trust that the plan will be carried through.

Very sincerely yours,

John Hurst

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MR. FRANCIS A. WILSON, 45 Sidney Place, Treasurer
MRS. ERNEST P. GOODRICH, 161 Henry St., Secretary

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois:—

I vote yes — that the Commission with General Staff which may be offered the Director of Publications & Research for duration of the war be considered work for this dissertation and that Dr. DuBois retain his present relation to the Crisis and that in view of past services his income from the Government be supplemented by such part of his present salary as is not necessarily expended for extra editorial help.

V. Morton-Jones

Congratulations!!

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Washington, D.C.

July 3, 1918.

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, N.Y.

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My dear Dr. DuBois:

I am in receipt of your letter of July first enclosing statement addressed to the members of the Board of the N.A.A.C.P. I desire to express my hearty approval of your proposed entry into the Army and to have my vote counted in the affirmative on the motion submitted in your statement. You may read this note at the meeting if you see fit.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn.

Arthur B. Spingarn.
(Captain, Sanitary Corps, USNA.)

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W. E. B. DuBois Esq.

70 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

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Dear Mr. DuBois:

I have your letter of the 2nd and favor the vote that you propose.

I think you can render very important service to the Association by accepting the position which is offered you, and that you should be able to rely on as large an income as you now have. In my office and others young men have gone to the war and receive from their employers enough money to assure them no loss of income by going into the service of the Government, and I think you are entitled to the same treatment from the Association.

Very truly yours,

M. Storey

Wilberforce, Ohio, July 4, 1918.

2/13/67

As Member of the Board of Directors of the N.A.A.C.P,, I hereby offer my Vote in the Affirmative as giving consent for the Director of Publications and Researchtto accept a Commission on the Army General Staff, at the same time retaining his present relations with tha the "Crisis".

Chas. Young

Col. U.S. Army, Retd.

Kennaday votes in
favor of resolution —
thinks it fair & hopes
it will go through.

Judy S.

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CHARLES NAGEL
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July 6, 1918.

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W. E. B. DuBois, Esq.,
The Crisis,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. DuBois:-

I have just read your letter of the second instant, and of course I consent to the proposed arrangement. I hope it will give you an opportunity to render effective service in this field.

Very sincerely yours,

Charles Nagel

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Rev. G. R. Waller, D.D.
Pastor
80 King Street

Third Baptist Church

William Street Below Main

William C. Jackson
Clerk
51 Monroe Street

Springfield, Mass., July, 5, 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Ave. New York.
N. Y.

JUL 8 1918

My dear Dr. Du Bois:-

Replying to your favor relative to your accepting a proposed commission and joining the Military Intelligence Bureau for service during the war, was received and carefully noted, would say that I am in full accord with the proposition.

Wishington you much success,

I am dear Sir,

Yours very cordially,

Garnett R. Waller.

DR. CHARLES E. BENTLEY
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July 6, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Av.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear DuBois:

I think you will be in a good position to serve both the Association and the cause by accepting the position.

I vote aye -

Sincerely yours,

C. E. Bentley

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July 8, 1918.

Will Mr. Shillady please

1. Swear to the enclosed certificate of incorporation and by-laws before a notary?
2. Furnish me a copy of our sworn statement to the income tax authorities?

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Dr Bois - Personal

Carbons

This is to certify that I have held the office of Director of Publicity and Research under the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People having been elected to the position in 1909 before the Association was incorporated and re-elected annually ever since in accordance with Article 111, paragraph 2, of the By-laws.

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As Director of Publicity and Research, I have since November 1910, published for the Association a magazine called the CRISIS which is the official organ of the Association.

This magazine is not published for profit but for spreading the work and objects of the Association. For two and a half years it has been self-supporting, but has made no profit. If it ever should make a profit this profit would go to the general fund of the Association and be expended for its general philanthropic purposes.

July 8, 1918.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors

July 8, 1918

The July meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was held in the editorial offices of the Crisis, 70 Fifth Avenue, at four o'clock, pursuant to notice.

Present: Mrs. Kelley, Mr. Loud, Mr. Grimké, Mr. Crawford, Dr. Jones, Dr. Du Bois, Mr. Villard, the Secretary and the Field Secretary.

Regrets from Dr. Holmes, Miss Ovington, Bishop Hurst.

In the absence of Miss Ovington, at the request of those present, Mr. Archibald H. Grimké presided.

The minutes of the last meeting were adopted as sent out.

Report of the Treasurer:
The Treasurer's report for June showed balances on hand as follows:

General Fund, $10,431.53; Anti-Lynching Fund, $6,518.56; Maclean Memorial Fund, $215.34; Jim Crow Fund, $8.00; Legal Fund, $63.50.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Director of Publications and Research:
The net paid circulation of the Crisis for June was 78,500 copies; the cash income was $4,932. There is no indebtedness and the cash balance is $2,299.

There are some difficulties in the near future: The price of paper is going up 12 per cent and the freight charge is put upon the consumer; this will mean an increase of perhaps $200 a month in our already large paper bill. Last month we paid $1,378 for paper. Then, too, the new increased rate for periodicals together with the zone provision has gone into effect. We are hoping to escape the zone provision because we are a philanthropic organization, but it is not certain that we can. Having in mind these increased expenses and the fact that all periodicals are increasing in price, we are considering, on the one hand, increasing the price of The Crisis, and on the other hand, increasing its size by sixteen pages. Also, we shall have to increase the advertising rates. On account of these considerations I am setting aside an emergency fund of $2,000 which will be used in future to tide us over lean months and pay extraordinary bills.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Secretary:

MOORFIELD STOREY DRIVE:

Reports received by the Secretary's Office up to July 1 show that whereas the Association had a total membership of 9,869 at the beginning of the Drive, its membership is now approximately 36,000 (35,898), constituted as follows:

Membership of 85 branches in operation when the Drive began (dead branches were eliminated)	32,296
Membership of 32 new branches	2,592
Members at large, estimated at	1,000

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The Association now has branches in all but thirteen states of the United States, in the Canal Zone (1 branch), and one branch at Toronto, Canada. The 32 new branches are located in 16 different states. Five of these branches began with an initial membership of more than 100 - Akron, O., 106; Fort Worth, Texas, 117; Houston, Texas, 176; Greene County, O., 450; San Antonio, Texas, 503. The Association has now two branches with more than 2500 members, Boston 2553, and the District of Columbia, 6906. 17 of these branches have more than 500 members, 16 being old branches and one a new branch. 20 branches have more than 300 members, all but two of these being old branches. 51 of the 117 branches have more than 100 members; 37 have less than 50; 20 of these of less than 50 members are old branches and 17 are new. It will be the Secretary's endeavor to bring these 37 with less than 50 members up to a minimum membership of at least 50.

In the July Bulletin the Secretary has included four tables which will be of interest to the members of the Board in that they include a comparative statement of the number of branches, membership by geographical location, and a comparison of the total membership, total population and total Negro population in each of the cities in which the Association has branches.

The Association has now five or more branches in the following states: New Jersey, Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, California, Ohio, Illinois, Pennsylvania.

In remitting its quota for new members, the District of Columbia Branch not only paid for all literature and supplies furnished during the Drive, to the amount of $173.31, but added a contribution of $626.69 for National work.

ANTI-LYNCHING ACTIVITIES:

The activities of the Executive Office regarding lynchings are detailed in a separate sheet attached hereto. Press stories are omitted but may be consulted upon request.

DISCRIMINATION AGAINST COLORED PEOPLE IN WISCONSIN STATE TUBERCULOSIS SANATORIUM:

The Secretary took up the matter of discrimination against colored people at the Wisconsin State Tuberculosis Sanatorium at Statesan, Wis., brought to his attention by the receipt of the institution's application blank in which appeared the words, "no accommodations for colored people." After having addressed two letters to the Superintendent of the institution and received replies, without having the matter

adjusted to the Secretary's satisfaction, on June 22 the Secretary addressed a letter to the Governor of the State, giving the letter publicity in 22 Wisconsin newspapers and sending a copy of the press story to 20 Crisis subscribers in the leading cities of Wisconsin. This was done in order to insure local interest, as the Association has no branch in that state.

By order of the Governor, the State Board of Control, administrative authority in charge of the Wisconsin charitable institutions, promptly removed the discrimination and instructed the Superintendent of the institution thereafter to admit colored people on the same basis as whites. The Milwaukee Free Press of June 24 in reporting the decision of the Governor and the State Board of Control, gives the Association credit for the achievement. Several letters from Crisis subscribers have been received expressing the gratification of the writers for the Association's activities, from one of which the following is quoted: "I think that the Association is doing a wonderful work for the betterment of the Negro race, and for it to know all about the oppressive measure and I living in this state and reading the daily news totally ignorant of such measures shows that the Association is sincere in its effort to secure justice for the Negro. The writer and others wish to be informed regarding the establishment of possible branches." One writer says that he has accepted the Secretary's suggestion to call together Crisis subscribers in Milwaukee, whose names were furnished, to discuss the possibility of reestablishing there an active branch of the Association.

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CASE OF PRIVATE S. P. JONES: (A dentist in private life)

Having received a telegram from the St. Louis Branch that S. P. Jones of St. Louis, a private who enlisted voluntarily, had been ordered out of a Pullman car by the train conductor at Texarkana, and requesting action of the National Office, the Secretary, on June 21, addressed a letter to the Secretary of War in regard to the case, asking for a ruling as to whether the War Department will insist that enlisted men travelling under government orders shall be accorded the kind of service authorized by the government and provided for by the transportation furnished, to wit, service without discrimination in Pullman cars when Pullman service is authorized and provided by the Department.

This letter was acknowledged by Mr. Emmett J. Scott to whom it had been referred. The Secretary then wrote Mr. Scott acknowledging the acknowledgment but making it clearly evident, without offensiveness, that the Association expected attention to the matter by the Secretary of War. This morning a letter was received from Mr. F. P. Keppel, Third Assistant Secretary of Warstating that Mr. Baker had referred our letter to him and that neither of them had previously heard of the case, and that Mr. Keppel was making an inquiry of the Attorney General with reference to the incident.

CADDO PARISH (LA.) ARBITRARY TACTICS OF WAR SAVINGS STAMPS COMMITTEE:

Having received, through a member of the Shreveport Branch who sends clippings regularly, a clipping from the Shreveport Times of June 12 under the heading, "Adopt Force to Get Negroes to Buy War Savings Stamps," on June 21 the Secretary addressed a letter to the Secretary of the Treasury calling his attention to the incident. Reference was made in the Secretary's letter to the inadvisability of such tactics, and to their constituting an abuse of the prestige conferred by the Government

on War Savings Campaign Committee Chairmen, and to the loyal cooperation of Negroes of the country in Liberty Loan and War Savings Drives, etc.

Receipt of the Secretary's letter was acknowledged on June 28 by the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury in Mr. McAdoo's absence in which the Treasury Department stated that the matter would be promptly investigated and the local War Savings Committee asked to see that the incident was not repeated.

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LETTERS TO PRESIDENT WILSON RE FOURTH OF JULY ADDRESS:

On June 27-28, at the suggestion of the Acting Chairman, the Secretary sent letters and telegrams to 44 of the most active branches of the Association requesting that they interest themselves in getting as many local persons as possible to send letters or telegrams to the President asking that in his Fourth of July address he make a reference to lynching. At least two branches complied, and no doubt many more have done so without notifying the Secretary. One of the new branches, Charleston, W. Va., reports through the President, Rev. Mordecai W. Johnson, that at his request the Governor of the State, two judges of the Supreme Court, and several other influential white and colored people had sent telegrams to President Wilson on this subject. As is known, the President made no allusion to lynching, his address being confined to one subject .

DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT BY KEARNEY SHIPYARDS:

Alleged discrimination against competent colored mechanics by the shipbuilding company at Kearney, N. J., was noticed by the Secretary through an article by a special reporter of the New York Globe. The matter was called to the attention of the Bureau of Negro Economics of the Department of Labor and of Senator Frelinghuysen of New Jersey. No definite results yet reported though the Department of Labor said they were handling the case.

CIVIL RIGHTS:

For the information of the Board the Secretary reports that Justice Wauhope Lynn, Seventh District, Municipal Court, New York City, awarded $100 damages each to two colored and two white men, for discriminatory treatment in Holz's café.

COLORED LABOR AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR:

The Secretary reports having had further correspondence with the Railroad Men's Benevolent Industrial Association, an organization composed of colored railroad workers in the Pullman car, dining service and other railroad occupations. The correspondence concerned the endeavor of that Association to secure the approval of the American Federation of Labor of the organization of an International Union of R.R. employees, particularly in the Pullman and dining car services, in which the rights of colored men will be fully recognized by the A. F. of L. The Association sent the Secretary a full account of its delegate's report and the reception of their proposals by the A. F. of L. Convention at St. Paul in June. The Association was not successful in securing its desires but feels that some progress was made in that there evidently exists an increased willingness on the part of labor officials and delegates to welcome colored men into the various

organizations.

A memorandum on behalf of a half dozen organizations working with colored people and signed by representatives of these organizations, including the Secretary of the N.A.A.C.P., was also presented to the A. F. of L. Convention and was referred to by the delegate of the Railroad Men's Benevolent Industrial Association. This latter memorandum concerned the fuller acceptance of colored workmen into the unions affiliated with the A. F. of L. without discrimination and the appointment of capable colored organizers to accomplish this work

2/18/53

WAR CAMP COMMUNITY SERVICE:

The Acting Chairman of the Board and the Secretary held a conference with Frank A. Fetter, General Manager of the War Camp Community Service, which has charge of the community activities having for their purpose the entertainment and general welfare of soldiers in training camp communities.

At the conference the representatives of the N.A.A.C.P. expressed the desire of the Association to enlist the cooperation of its branches in the vicinity of training camps in war camp community service work for the benefit of colored soldiers. Following the conference the Secretary prepared and submitted to the War Camp Community Service a memorandum along the following lines:

1. A statement regarding the Association itself, its officers and their standing and some account of what is now being done by certain members of the Board in war service.
2. The Association's previous and present interest in the colored soldier, including the promotion of the first officers' training camp at Des Moines.
3. The facilities open to the Association through the Crisis for reaching the colored people, the Association's standing with colored people, and its unusual facilities through 117 branches to render effective war camp community service.

It was suggested on behalf of the Association that the Association would be willing to consider any work that the War Camp Community Service would put before it, but the following plans were outlined by the Secretary as the Association's tentative suggestions:

(a) That a representative of the Association be appointed to serve on the National Committee which has to do with planning such service, so that the Association might be able in the most helpful way to assist the Committee in dealing with the larger problems concerning the relations of colored people to the camps.

(b) That the Association might organize, through its nearest local branches, for each camp in which colored soldiers are located a cooperating committee to work with committees already in existence, or if community camp work is still unorganized, the Association would undertake to organize the community resources for war camp community service, it being understood in all cases that this work would be done in accordance with the desires of the War Camp Community Service.

(c) That the Association might undertake through

its branches to assist in the raising of funds for war camp community service needs.

The War Camp Community Service on July 3 replied in general that the proposals made by the Secretary on behalf of the Association could not be accepted for several reasons:

1. That neither the National nor local work of the War Camp Community Service is conducted by committees organized on a federated plan.
2. That the War Camp Community Service had no national committee on work with colored soldiers, but only local committees.
3. The same reason applies to our suggestion of the organization of cooperating committees to work with local committees already in existence, the Community Service stating that the Association's proposals would involve a multiplication of committees, which they did not encourage.
4. That funds are raised for the War Camp Community Service in a special financial drive made from Headquarters and that authority cannot be delegated to any other organization to use their name in the raising of funds.

Further, the War Camp Community Service explained as one of its principles that war camp community service work must be undertaken primarily as a motive to help the soldiers and not as a means of propaganda of any kind.

In conclusion, the Community Service said it was their purpose to give increased interest and attention to the problems of colored soldiers in war camp communities and asked the Association's special interest and suggestions in the matter, particularly that someone connected with the field staff might advise the N.A.A.C.P. from time to time regarding outstanding personalities that might be valuable in the work in various parts of the country.

The Secretary does not regard this matter as closed but feels that a way might be found to enlist the services of the branches in this work by taking up the matter again with the War Camp Community Service.

2/18/54

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SUMMER SCHOOL BULLETIN:

In the Spring of 1917 it was called to the attention of Mr. Johnson, Field Secretary, that in the Summer School Bulletin of Columbia University the announcement was made that no arrangement had been made at the University for the accommodation of colored students in its dormitories. Mr. Johnson wrote President Nicholas Murray Butler in regard to this and asked that such announcement be omitted from future Bulletins. The announcement does not appear in the 1918 Bulletin.

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PUBLICITY:

One press story concerning a Louisiana lynching, three regarding matters previously mentioned (the Wisconsin Tuberculosis Sanatorium, the case of Private Jones and that to the Secretary of the Treasury) and special advance publicity in the six cities in which Miss Ovington was to speak, were sent out during the month.

Report accepted.

The following additional matters omitted by the Secretary were reported by other members of the Board:

1. That Captain Rowan who had refused at Camp Pike, Ark., to assemble his soldiers side by side with colored soldiers was court-martialed by the War Department and dismissed from the service.

2. Mr. Villard reported that General Kuhn, Commandant in charge of Camp Meade, Md., had ordered a white soldier who had refused to salute a Negro officer to salute the officer twenty times in the presence of the latter's company.

3. Mr. Grimké reported the case of a colored girl who had been shot by an armed guard in a Washington Park. This case was first referred in error to the War Department and then properly to the Navy Department. The marine concerned said that he had accidentally shot the girl and was exonerated, therefore, by the Navy Department. Mr. James A. Cobb of the Legal Committee of the District of Columbia Branch took up the case again with the District Attorney's Office. Mr. Lasker of the District Attorney's Office said that he was on the ground at the time and that he believed the shot was intentional due to the marine having been angry at the time. A strong letter was sent by the District Attorney to the Department of Justice concerning this case. No action as yet has been reported.

Report of the Field Secretary:

The Field Secretary has made three tours between the dates March 14 and June 27. Beginning March 14 he visited the branches at New Haven, Conn., New Bedford, Mass., Providence, R. I., Boston, Mass., Springfield, Mass., East Orange, N. J., Philadelphia, Pa., and Baltimore, Md. At New Haven, Providence, Boston, Springfield and East Orange, he met only with the officers and executive committees of the branches and talked over with them plans and methods for making the Drive a success. At New Bedford, Philadelphia and Baltimore large public meetings were held, in addition to conferences with the officials and executive committees of those branches. The public meeting at New Bedford was held in the auditorium of the library; at Philadelphia and Baltimore the Field Secretary addressed several large meetings in churches in both cities.

On April 12 the Field Secretary began a tour of western branches. His first stop was at Johnstown, Pa. where he met the officers and members of the Branch and talked over plans for the Drive and also spoke at a public meeting held in one of the churches.

His next stop was at Pittsburgh. In Pittsburgh, on Sunday, April 14, he spoke at three churches, and on the following day addressed the Methodist Ministers' Union and the Baptist Ministers' Union; in talking to the ministers he spoke especially of the necessity and importance of their full cooperation with the Association in its work. During the week he met with the officers and executive committee and addressed three other meetings held under the auspices of the branch.

On Thursday night, April 19, he addressed a meeting of the Branch at Washington, Pa. It is gratifying to note the growth of the branches in these two smaller Pennsylvania cities, Johnstown and Washington, which were organized less than a year ago. Before the Drive the Johnstown Branch had a membership of 53, which has been increased to 200. The Washington Branch had a membership of 55, which has been increased to 265.

From Pittsburgh the Field Secretary went to Cleveland where he spent three days. On Sunday in Cleveland he spoke at three churches and also addressed a large public meeting held by the Branch. On the next night he addressed another public branch meeting, and on the following day spoke before the Ministers' Alliance. He also met with the officers and executive committee of the Cleveland Branch and went over plans for the Drive.

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On the way to Chicago the Field Secretary stopped at Toledo, O., and Gary, Ind., and addressed public meetings held by the branches in those two cities.

In Chicago the Field Secretary met with the officers of the Branch and co-workers in the Drive, and spoke at two large public meetings held under the auspices of the Branch. He also addressed the Political Equality League at the Congress Hotel; the City Club, at a noon luncheon; the School of Civics and Philanthropy; and the Phalanx Club at the Y.M.C.A. The Phalanx Club responded with 100 paid applications for membership in the Association.

While in Chicago the Field Secretary went out to Camp Grant at Rockford, Ill., and addressed the colored soldiers there.

In Indianapolis the Field Secretary met with the officers and executive committee of the Branch and organized the forces for the Drive; he also spoke at three churches on Sunday and addressed a public meeting held by the Branch. The Indianapolis Branch had been quiescent for more than two years, but during the Drive increased its membership from 21 to 425.

At St. Louis the Field Secretary held two meetings with the officers and co-workers in the Drive. On the Sunday in St. Louis he spoke at five churches. In addition he addressed the Women's Council of Defense, the Ministers' Union and spoke at four other meetings.

From St. Louis the Field Secretary went to Kansas City, Mo., where he was on the program to speak at the National Conference of Social Work on May 21. On Sunday in Kansas City he spoke at four churches and addressed two large public meetings, one in the auditorium of the high school, the other at the Y.M.C.A. Before leaving he met with the officers and Drive workers of the Kansas City, Kas., Branch and also addressed a large public meeting in that city.

On Monday night, May 21, the Field Secretary spoke in the Kansas City Auditorium before the National Conference of Social Work. His

assigned subject was, "The Changing Status of Negro Labor." However, he took advantage of the opportunity in speaking to so large an audience from every section of the United States to point out the many other changes which the status of the Negro is undergoing and to make a plea for justice and equal opportunity and a full share in the common democracy which is now being fought for for the world.

The Field Secretary then started back east, stopping off at St. Louis where he addressed two public meetings and spoke to the Elks in their lodge room on May 22, and at Indianapolis where he met with the officers of the Branch and workers in the Drive the following night.

On May 27 the Field Secretary left for the South to make the annual address at the A. & M. College at Tallahassee, Fla. While in the South he met with the officers and executive committees of branches and addressed public meetings of branches in the following cities: Jacksonville, Savannah, Atlanta and Tampa. He also organized new branches at Albany, Ga., and St. Augustine, Fla.

Everywhere on these trips the Field Secretary saw evidences of the fact that the people are awakening to the realization that the National Association stands as the most effective means through which the race may voice its protest against unfair and unjust treatment and by which it may make known its desires and demands to the whole country.

The Field Secretary spoke at Mother Zion A.M.E. Church in Harlem on Sunday, July 7, at a meeting held by the New York Branch.

Since the last Board meeting executive authorizations have been granted branches at Adrian, Mich.; Akron, O; Asheville, N.C.; Charlottesville, Va.; Cheyney, Pa.; Charleston, W. Va.; Fort Wayne, Ind.; Greene County, O.; Ottumwa, O.; Sacramento, Cal.; Salt Lake City, Utah; Vallejo, Cal.; Vicksburg, Miss.

Report accepted and placed on file.

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Report of the Legal Committee:

BUNDY CASE:

The following developments are to be reported since the report made by the Legal Committee appeared in the minutes of the meeting of the Board for June:

1. Judge Brown and Dr. Bentley of Chicago begged to be excused from complying with the Board's request that they receive from Dr. Bundy a statement concerning his differences with the St. Louis Branch, giving as their reason that their intervention in so delicate a matter might be considered officious.

2. A letter was sent by the Secretary to Judge Brown and Dr. Bentley reviewing the facts in the case up to that date (June 24). A similar letter was sent to the St. Louis Branch on the same date in which the St. Louis Branch was informed that the National Office had agreed to grant a hearing to Dr. Bundy through the Legal Committee and asking whether the St. Louis Branch wished to submit any further statement concerning the case, to which the St. Louis Branch replied by wire that they maintained the position formerly taken and had nothing new to offer.

3. A summary of the case was sent to Mr. Nagel and a reply received from him which reviewed Mr. Nagel's connection with the case and all developments with which he was familiar.

4. At a conference between Mr. Studin, Dr. Du Bois, the Secretary and the Field Secretary, the date of the hearing of Dr. Bundy was decided upon and it will be held July 11. It was further decided to send a statement to all of the branches, in which they would be advised not to receive any funds or to hold any meetings in behalf of the Bundy defense pending the hearing on July 11.

NEW BUSINESS

BRANCH CHARTERS: Charters were granted the branches at Akron, O.; Cheyney, Charleston, W. Va.; Fort Worth, Tex.; Greene Co., O.; Houston, Tex.; Johnstown, Pa.; Lincoln, Neb; Lynchburg, Va.; Macon, Ga.; Roanoke, Va.; Sacramento, Cal.; Vallejo, Cal.; San Antonio, Tex.; San Jose, Cal.; Wheeling, W. Va.; Winston-Salem, N. C.

COLORED RED CROSS NURSES:

A letter was read from Judge Brown, President of the Chicago Branch, alluding to discrimination against colored nurses in Red Cross work. Judge Brown referred particularly to the case of the graduates and nurses in training of the Provident Hospital School of Chicago, an institution graduating educated, intelligent and efficient colored nurses. This institution was invited to send its graduates and students to participate in the Red Cross parade on June 15 and gladly accepted. After the invitation was issued, the managers of the parade were obliged to notify the authorities of the School that by ruling of the United States Government "the graduates from the Provident Hospital School for Nurses as well as graduates from other colored schools are not being enrolled as Red Cross Nurses." Therefore it was said that although "the committee would like to see Provident graduates in the line of march on the 15th, they must not misunderstand the point re enrollment, that is, that we are thereby inviting them to enroll when we have no opportunity to offer it to them."

Judge Brown's letter further states that a reporter from the Chicago Daily News was told by a member of the National Committee of the American Red Cross Nursing Service at the enrollment headquarters that colored nurses are not barred from enrollment by the Red Cross, but it is officially admitted that they are enrolled on a different basis from white nurses and will not be sent overseas.

Judge Brown refers to the cordial cooperation and generous services of the Red Cross to families of colored soldiers; also his letter states that the Executive Board of the Chicago Branch at its last meeting had passed a resolution to investigate and act on the matter of colored nurses if the Board has not already done so, and to authorize the President of the Chicago Branch to act in conjunction with the National Office in any way that might seem best.

The Chicago Executive Board also passed a resolution calling the attention of the National Board to the question of colored men representing the national government having to travel in Jim Crow cars over roads now under the direct supervision of the government.

Judge Brown's letter also informed the Board that the Supreme Court of Illinois had affirmed the judgment and sentence of the ten colored men indicted and convicted in St. Clair County of murder in connection with the East St. Louis riots. Judge Brown will send to the National Office a copy of the decision as soon as he has received one.

Upon motion, duly seconded, it was

VOTED, That the Secretary proceed on behalf of the Association in any manner that might seem effective to forward acceptance by the War Department of colored nurses for service overseas.

Since the meeting of the Board, the Secretary reports having received from Mr. James A. Cobb, of the Legal Committee of the District of Columbia Branch, a memorandum of authorities on Interstate Passenger Traffic, which is a careful compilation of decisions regarding the rights of fellow passengers to travel on railroad cars,

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differentiating between decisions affecting Interstate and those affecting Intrastate passengers.

Dr. Du Bois presented to the Board the following matter:

1. That he had been approached informally with a proposition that he accept a commission as captain in the army service, to be attached to the Intelligence Bureau of the War Department; that he was favorably disposed toward accepting the commission offered, under conditions hereafter stated and that his name had been presented to the War Department and he understood that an offer of appointment as aforesaid would be made;

2. That Dr. Du Bois believed that he would be able in the Intelligence Bureau to serve the government and advance the interests of colored people thereby;

3. But that he could and would accept the appointment if tendered only on condition (a) that the Board approve his acceptance of service in the Intelligence Bureau and regard it as in the nature of work for the cause to which the Association is committed and upon which it is engaged; (b) that he retain the directorship of publications and research and editorship of the Crisis; (c) that his salary from the government be supplemented by such part of his present salary as was not needed for extra editorial assistance.

The Board, having considered the matter, expressed its attitude thereto in the following motion, which was adopted:

That the Board of Directors of the N.A.A.C.P. regards it as imperative that its Director of Publications and Research and editor of its regular monthly organ, the Crisis, be able to give his full time and attention to the important work involved in publicity and research work and particularly in that of editing the Crisis; that the Association would not be justified in depriving the 79,000 subscribers and purchasers of the Crisis and the 36,000 members of the Association of the services of a full time Director of Publications and Research upon whose continuous attention to the educational and editorial work involved, both they and the Association are dependent for enlightenment concerning the vital interests of 12,000,000 colored Americans; that inasmuch as the acceptance by Dr. Du Bois of a commission in the Intelligence Bureau of the War Department is conditioned upon his continuing to serve as Director of Publications and Research and editor of the Crisis, giving to the Association's work only such time and attention as the necessarily arduous and compelling duties of the War Department would permit, the Board of Directors is reluctantly compelled to the conclusion that, for the reasons aforementioned, and in view of all the circumstances of the situation, it is inadvisable that Dr. Du Bois undertake to combine the duties of Director of Publications and Research of the Association and editor of the Crisis with that of service as a commissioned officer in the Army Intelligence Bureau.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mary White Ovington
Presiding Officer

John R. Shillady
Secretary.

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July 8, 1918.

REPORT OF JOHN R. SHILLADY, SECRETARY, TO THE ANTI-LYNCHING COMMITTEE

Concerning the Activities of the National Office in regard to Lynchings, from June 10, 1918, to July 8, 1918, inclusive.

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On June 25 the Secretary addressed telegrams to Governor Pleasant of Louisiana and to the Chambers of Commerce of Monroe, Baton Rouge, Shreveport and New Orleans concerning the lynching of John Clayton, a Negro, on June 18, near Mangham, La. Publicity was given these telegrams. No replies from the Governor or the Chambers of Commerce.

EARL, ARK., LYNCHING.

The lynching of Elton Mitchell occurred on June 13 at Earl, Ark., but the discrepancies in accounts made the facts uncertain, and no action was taken by the Secretary.

MADILL, OKLA., LYNCHING.

On June 29 Lougious McGill, a Negro, was lynched according to the Shreveport Times by a mob of 500 having been accused of assault and later stabbing the wife of a farmer. No action was taken in this case due solely to the inability of the Secretary with his present office force, to issue a press story.

John R. Shillady

Secretary.

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July 9, 1918.

Dear Major Spingarn,

The Board met yesterday. If the matter had come to a head before the meeting of the board, I had already secured by mail the consent of enough to have carried the proposition. But as the meeting of the Board intervened it was not fair to use the letters. I, therefore, put the matter before them.

Unfortunately, however, the attendance which was small was strongly pacifist, - Mr. Villard, Mrs. Kelley. Mr. Grinke, Mr. Loud. Those who were inclined to think with me were Mr. Crawford, Mr. Studein, Dr. Jones. Thus, with my own vote we might have carried the matter, but it would have been very close.

The real deciding thing was Mr. Grimke's passionate belief that my acceptance of the commission in the Intelligence Bureau would disrupt the Washington Branch and spread suspicion and discouragement. The Board, therefore, decided that I ought not to take the commission, but left the exact wording to Mr. Shillady, Mr. Studin and myself.

What action shall I now take? Shall I direct a formal memorandum to you or to Colonel Churchill. I am, of course, sorry for this outcome because I know you will be disappointed and that I will miss a great opportunity for

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service, but I am convinced that even with a full Board the propdsition could be only carried by a sharp and unsatisfactory division.

Very sincerely yours,

Major J. E. Spingarn,
915 Eighteenth Street, Northwest,
Washington, D. C.

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July 10, 1918

Dear Dr. Du Bois,

Knowing my keen interest in the matter Mr. Shillady has wired me that the consensus of opinion was against the editor of the Crisis entering into the Information department of the government. I am most relieved at the decision and I think you are probably glad of it. Of course, if the governement makes a demand you may have to obey, but as you suggested you might go into the work expecting it to be one thing and find that it had to be quite another. I believe that the southern attitude is inimical to the advancement of any Negro in any higher walk of life. I think they are like a stone wall on that matter.

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This Association of colored women is very fine, and Mrs. Talbert, the president, cant say enough about you and all that the Crisis has done for the Association. S do get a report

I studied the English of this letter shows
slight mental aberration

in of this convention. I am sending a story the end of this week to the Evening Post which they may publish in time for you to use in the September number.

Mrs. Talbert's story of her travels in the South in the interests of the Association is one of the most dramatic I have ever heard. She says she does not think she can ever do it again, the jimcrowing was too awful; but one of the encouraging things was the amount of automobiling she did through the colored people who would accompany her sometimes for hundreds of miles. Everywhere there seems to be the beginnings of prosperity and the inevitable rise of a fighting spirit. The war is to these women a benefaction that has been showered upon them, ~~so great are the benefits~~. It must be fine for a Georgian, for instance, to find herself now first of all an American. No more states soverignty again.

I hate this altitude and feel very mean the most of the time. I mean to go a little way into the mountains to see them but I dont anticipate it.

Yours faithfully,

Mary W. Dingman

(SPINGARN)

C O P Y.

Washington.

10 July 1918.

Dear Studin:

I have just heard that the Board of the N. A. A. C. P. regards military service as work unworthy of its members. If this is, I cannot remain a member of the Association for another moment, and must not only resign but must notify all those who remain in it that the organization is dangerously unpatriotic and anti-American. But I cannot believe the report, and suggest that you do nothing further in the matter until you hear from me again. I shall try to see Mr. Grimke to-day. In the meanwhile you may show this letter to Miss Ovington, Mr. Shillady & Dr. DuBois. There is only one test by which I shall judge the Association - whether or not it encourages Dr. DuBois to do the highly patriotic service and constructive work which has been planned for him here.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. E. Spingarn.

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July 11, 1918.

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Miss Mary White Ovington,
The Shirley Hotel,
Denver, Colorado.

My dear Miss Ovington:

I am so glad that you have enjoyed your western trip.

I have decided not to go to Washington. I may change my mind but probably not. The Board was pretty evenly divided but it happened to be a "pacifist" meeting.

I am meaning these days everything that I say in THE CRISIS, but I am not saying all that I would like to say.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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July 12, 1918.

PERSONAL

My dear Major Spingarn,

I know from letters and telegrams how deeply you have been harassed and hurt in the last few days. You know that I appreciate more than I can tell your courageous defense of me in the N.A.A.C.P. meeting. Of course, we must all expect when we essay to lead a crowd that the crowd will be at times incredibly stupid. Neither of us had dreamed of this curious upheaval and it is extremely difficult to know just what ones duty is under the circumstances. Personally, I am all at sea and disposed simply to sit and wait in order to get the inspiration and see my duty clearly.

If I had no family to support or if I were ten years younger, I should not hesitate for a moment. I should resign from the Association and accept the commission, but at present I have to consider what chance a man of fifty or more would have of earning a living after this war; how I could squeeze through the war on my captain's salary; and, finally, what would be the effect on the Association.

I hate to think of the disruption of this organization so painfully built up through the years of travail. If you and I should leave the Association, it would disrupt it. It might not necessarily kill it,

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but certainly the Association would be painfully crippled. There is no doubt a widespread but, of course, mistaken feeling among colored people that I should not take this work. I believe with you that they are absolutely wrong, but how far is it my duty to fly in face of this opinion?

I have seen your letter to Mr. Studin. Please do not act rashly. Let us wait as long as possible to see if some ray of light will not come.

Yours sincerely and in deepest sympathy,

Major J. E. Spingarn,
915 Eighteenth Street, Northwest,
Washington, D. C.

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917 10th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D.C.,
July 16, 1918.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have heard to-day that you are writing your friends that you do not think you will accept the commission. I cannot believe that this will be your ultimate decision, and I am going ahead with my plans on the assumption that you will accept and that before long all those who believe in you will approve of your decision.

A few bitter men are responsible for the clamor, and I know that the clamor will soon die down. The opportunity to do such work as this will never come again, and it would be madness, I feel, to let the opportunity slip by. The editorials in the August Crisis will make your policy clearer and pave the way for a wider realization of your programme and your new opportunity.

Two things the Association must do, give you a leave of absence and give you a pledge that you will return to full control of the Crisis as soon as you leave the military service. Whether it makes up for your financial loss in accepting a commission is of lesser moment, for that can be taken care of in other ways if need be; tho' why the Association should be less patriotic in this respect than the City of New York and many business firms I cannot see. Nor do I think your con-

tinuance as editor while you are in the military service is so important; there will be men on guard to see that all goes well. But the two pledges the Association must give, and there are many, like the Cooks, who feel that a third pledge of financial aid should be given too.

I wish that you could come to Washington before long, to discuss this whole matter with me and with others. Too much depends on your coming to make any missteps now. My whole constructive programme here is on trial, and in danger of toppling over if you do not join forces with me now.

Faithfully yours,

J. E. Spingarn

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Cheyney, Pa.

WASHINGTON, July 30, 1918.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have just learnt that the programme which I planned for work in the colored field, and which was to include your being commissioned a captain in the National Army, has not been approved, and that hereafter the Military Intelligence Branch will restrict itself to work among colored troops, a department with which I have nothing to do. I am hoping that the new programme may include for myself what is the dream of every soldier.

I regret very much that things could not happen as I had planned. I regret very much that the country is not to have the benefit of your great abilities. I am glad however that we planned and dreamed of these things together for our country's good; and the work for the colored race and for the country which such an editorial as "A Philosophy in War Time" represents may after all be better than could be done in any other way.

I hope that I may have an opportunity of seeing you before long.

Faithfully yours,

J. E. Spingarn

Major, Infantry, R.C.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Treasurer's Report
of the
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
OF COLORED PEOPLE

Month of July 1918

RECEIPTS			EXPENDITURES	
GENERAL ACCOUNT				
Balance in bank June 30		-$10,231.53	Salaries	$1185.48
" Petty Cash Fund		100.00	General Expense & Supplies	105.20
			Rent	50.00
Memberships	3077.47		Telephone	16.30
			Telegrams	22.65
Contributions	1481.00		Engraving of Branch Charters	21.25
			Printing	389.94
Bulletins	19.50		Postage	208.18
			Traveling Expense	200.86
Pins sold	19.05		Advertising	20.05
		4,597.02	Memberships returned to Branches	359.75
			Typewriters and filing cabinet	162.50
			Crisis subscriptions	693.50
				3435.66
			Balance in bank July 31	11,392.89
			" " Petty Cash Fund	100.00
		$14,928.55		$14,928.55

SPECIAL FUNDS

Balances in banks June 30 -		Anti-Lynching Fund Expenditures-	
Anti-Lynching Fund	$6518.56	Telegrams	$ 49.85
Maclean Memorial Fund	215.34	Traveling Expense	108.94
Jim Crow Fund	8.00	Refund to Seattle Branch of contribution sent by mistake	17.00
Legal Fund	63.50		
Anti-Lynching Fund receipts	4.00	Balances in banks July 31,-	
		Anti-Lynching Fund	6346.77
		MacleanMemorial Fund	215.34
		Jim Crow Fund	8.00
		Legal Fund	63.50
	$6809.40		$6809.40

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To the Editor: The following news story is sent you without charge and the accuracy of the statements herein made is guaranteed. JOHN R. SHILLADY, Secretary.

August 2, 1918.

RELEASED FOR THE MORNING PAPERS OF AUGUST 3:

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, through its Secretary, John R. Shillady, makes public the following telegram addressed to Governor W. P. Hobby of Texas concerning the lynching of Jim Brown near Ben Hur, Texas, on July 27. The Association calls the attention of the Governor to the fact that this lynching occurred on the very day when President Wilson's emphatic denunciations of mob lynchings were printed in the press of the country. The telegram follows:

August 2, 1918.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, Governor,
Austin, Texas.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, speaking in the name of its one hundred and twenty-five branches, five of them in Texas cities, and 36,000 members, respectfully asks what steps are being taken by Texas authorities to apprehend the lynchers of Jim Brown near Ben Hur on July 27, the very day when President Wilson's emphatic denunciations of mob lynchings were printed in the press of the country. President Wilson in this noble and highly patriotic utterance appealed to the governors of all the states to cooperate actively and watchfully to make an end to this disgraceful evil of lynching, saying further that it cannot live where the community does not countenance it.

Seventeen Negroes have now been lynched in Texas since June, 1917, a lynching record exceeded by only one state in the Union during the same period. This Association does not condone crime but insists with President Wilson that its punishment be by law and not by mobs.

John R. Shillady, Secretary
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE.

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August 7, 1918.

Major J. E. Spingarn,
917 Eighteenth St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Major Spingarn:

I can only express my great sorrow at the final decision of Colonel Churchill and my sympathy with you in your efforts. I trust you are not discouraged. As I am saying in next month's CRISIS, "no one who assays to teach the multitude can long escape crucifixion."

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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August 13, 1918.

RELEASED FOR THE MORNING PAPERS OF AUGUST 14:

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, through its Secretary, John R. Shillady of New York, makes public the following telegram addressed to Governor R. G. Pleasant of Louisiana, concerning the lynching of Bubber Hall, a Negro accused of criminal assault on the wife of a prominent attorney of Bastrop, La., at that place on August 7. The Association informs Governor Pleasant that both he and his state have now an opportunity to show whether President Wilson's solemn appeal to uphold law and keep America's name without stain will be regarded or flouted in Louisiana. Fourteen Negroes, the Association says, have been lynched without trial in Louisiana since May 1, 1917. The telegram follows:

August 12, 1918.

Hon. R.G.Pleasant, Governor,
Baton Rouge, La.

National Association for Advancement of Colored People, speaking in name of one hundred twenty-five branches, three in Louisiana, and thirty-six thousand members, respectfully asks for information of press receiving our news service what steps are being taken by Louisiana authorities to apprehend members of mob which on August seventh lynched Bubber Hall, young Negro accused of criminal assault at Bastrop, Morehouse County, taking him from Sheriff D. M. Spear. President Wilson in most emphatic language declared that all participants in mobs are betrayers of democracy. You as governor and your state now have opportunity to show whether President's solemn appeal to uphold law and keep America's name without stain will be regarded or flouted in Louisiana. Fourteen Negroes, lynched without trial, is Louisiana's record since May 1, 1917. This Association does not condone crime but insists with President Wilson that its punishment be by law and not by mobs.

John R. Shillady, Secretary,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Amenia, N.Y., August 14, 1918.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am enclosing a letter from Cleveland which is a sample of several that have come to me of late. All of them indicate a doubt and bewilderment which ought to be cleared up, not for my sake, but for that of the cause.

Of course, as you realize, I am not in a position to give an official version of the Trotter incident, but I may say confidentially, that when the Conference of Editors (to which Trotter had been invited) was agreed upon, it was suggested to him that it might be advisable to postpone his Liberty Congress for two or three months, or at least until the effects of the Conference of Editors could be estimated. There was of course no attempt to "prevent" his Congress from meeting, and the only reason for suggesting its postponement was to secure greater unity of effort and a more effective result.

I have worked so hard for the lastt few yearsfor this unity of effort and mutual understanding among those interested in this cause, beginning with the Amenia Conference, that I hate to see the work undone through misunderstanding and false reports. My own share in these matters, and my own feelings, are of no consequence, for the only use of leaders is to "spend and be spent". But if the matter seems to you important enough to be worth clearing up in the Crisis or elsewhere, I leave it to you to do what seems wisest. I hardly know where fortune may take me in the next few weeks, and so I must leave to others, for the present, the task of carrying on the good fight and of justifying those who have had a share in fighting it.

Faithfully yours,

J. E. Spingarn

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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August 15, 1918.

Major J. E. Spingarn,
Amenia, N. Y.

My dear Major Spingarn:

I am returning Young's letter. I have already had one from him concerning my attitude and have written him saying that he ought to spend little time in combating Harry Smith. I shall, however, keep the matter in mind and make such editorial explanation as seem best.

I have passed through so much of this personal abuse that I am affaid that I am a little calloused, but I know how pitilessly unfair it is and I have the deepest sympathy with you.

With regard to your resignation as Chairman of the Board permit me simply to suggest for your consideration: would it not be wiser to wait until the end of the year which is not so far off?

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Such a procedure would give many persons less satisfaction than we ought to afford them.

I trust you are getting good rest in mind and body.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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To the Editor: **The following news story is sent you without charge and the accuracy of the statements herein made is guaranteed. JOHN R. SHILLADY, Secretary.**

August 20, 1918.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The facts regarding the race riot at Camp Merritt, N. J., of August 17, in which it was reported that several men were killed and wounded, were ascertained today in an interview with Col. J.A.Marmon, commanding officer of the camp, by Walter F. White, Assistant Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The morning papers of August 20 stated that the camp was closed to newspaper reporters and others seeking information regarding the disturbance, but the Association, in keeping with its policy of aiding the government in allaying suspicion and preventing friction between the races, sent Mr. White to obtain the facts in the case. These were given to him freely by Col. Marmon and show that the incident was not as serious as was at first supposed.

On the night when the trouble occurred two colored soldiers were ejected from Y.M.C.A.2 by two southern white soldiers, when their presence was resented by the southern white men, although there is no discrimination allowed in any of the Y.M.C.A. buildings, and the colored soldiers had a perfect right to be there. As they left the building a chair was thrown at them. Previous to this incident there had been one or two minor clashes between soldiers of both races who were quartered in adjacent sections of the camp, which necessitated both using the same general street. The white soldiers involved were from Mississippi while the colored were from Camps Dodge, Taylor, Grant and Sherman. About half an hour after the ejection of the two soldiers from Y. M. C. A. 2, a white soldier was cut by a colored soldier. Contrary to press accounts, he was not badly cut nor has he died. Col. Marmon stated that his wounds were so trivial that it has been unnecessary for the wounded man to apply at a hospital for treatment. For this reason they have been unable to learn who the wounded man is, nor has it been possible to learn who the assailant is.

Shortly after this occurrence, groups of soldiers of both races gathered in one of the camp streets and threats were passed. Fearing trouble, the guard was called out and orders were given to the men to disperse. The guard consisted of between thirty and forty men in charge of a sergeant. Standing at a short distance from the guard, officers of both the white and colored troops conferred as to the best method of preventing further trouble. A group of the colored troops were moving away in obedience to the command of the guard when suddenly, without a command being given, shots rang out and five of the colored men fell. The sergeant in command of the guard rushed in at once and knocked up the guns to prevent further firing. One colored soldier was killed, four wounded, none of them seriously, and all will recover. The most seriously wounded of the four has a bullet wound in his groin and one of the fingers of his left hand is shot off, evidently by the same bullet. The man killed was shot in the back.

The guns of the guards were immediately examined after the shooting and thirteen of them were found to have been fired. The thirteen men to whom these guns belonged were immediately arrested and placed in the guard house. Col. Marmon stated that these men would be tried for firing without orders and punished if found guilty.

The camp is now entirely quiet and no further trouble is anticipated.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors

September 9, 1918

The September meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was held in the editorial offices of the Crisis, 70 Fifth Avenue, at 3.30 o'clock, pursuant to notice, Miss Ovington presiding.

Present: Messrs Hurst, Sinclair, Bishop, Du Bois, Mrs. Talbert, Dr. Jones, Miss Ovington, the Secretary, Field Secretary and Assistant Secretary.

Regrets from Mrs. Kelley, Messrs Loud, Walling, Villard, Holmes.

The minutes of the July meeting were approved as sent out.

Report of the Treasurer:

The complete reports of the Treasurer for July and August were sent out to the Board. The following comment on finances was submitted by the Secretary:

The financial condition of the Association continues favorable. Despite the fact that its expenditures during 1918 are proceeding at a rate more than double that of any preceding year, the Association has larger bank balances than ever before. As the financial report, which has been sent out, shows, the receipts (General Fund) have been: July, $4,597.02; August, $1,507.42; expenditures (General Fund) July, $3,435.66; August, $2,814.64. Bank balances of July 31 (General Fund) were $11,492.89, and of August 31 $10,188.67. An appeal for memberships and contributions, sent out in June as an experiment to about 4500 names taken from among contributors to various causes, chief among which were Jewish charities, and to a lesser extent, non-sectarian charities, elicited 77 responses for a total of $665.50, of which $608.50 was credited to Association account, $57.00 to Crisis subscriptions. The expense of this appeal, including extra clerical help, was $209.62.

The Association's expenditures as given in the Treasurer's report, are somewhat misleading, unless examined with care, in that a considerable amount of money is turned over to the Crisis for subscriptions received and returned to branches as their share of membership fees received. The following table gives the net expenditures of the Association month by month with the above mentioned items deducted, from January 1, 1918, to August 31, 1918, inclusive:

January	$ 817.75
February	1,606.90
March	1,657.36
April	1,700.12
May	2,[illegible].87
June	1,675.09
July	2,082.41
August	2,491.14
Total	$14,[illegible].44

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Anti-Lynching Fund.

Receipts for the Anti-Lynching Fund from January 1 to date have been $1,044.34. Cash balance on January 1, 1918, $7,977.17. Expenditures, January to August, inclusive, $$3,086.01. Balance in fund, August 31, $5,935.50.

Report of the Director of Publications and Research:

The net paid circulation of THE CRISIS for August was 60,000 copies. The cash income was $4669. We have a balance of $852 in the bank. The bookkeeper is on vacation so that the usual detailed report will be delayed for a week, but will be handed to the Secretary later.

From the membership drive THE CRISIS received about 2,500 subscriptions. The equivalent of them in money, that is $2,500, we have set aside as an emergency fund. We need this for the dull summer months and also for whatever difficulties may occur after the war. After hesitation and careful inquiry among our agents we have decided to raise the price of THE CRISIS to $1.50 a year and fifteen cents per copy, at the same time increasing its size by sixteen pages.

The reasons for this are the steadily increasing cost of work and materials. Just what effect this increase will have on our circulation we cannot at present say.

The director has been interested in three movements during the month. FIRST, he has been reminded that August 1919, is the three hundredth anniversary of the landing of the Negro in America. This occasion ought to be commemorated in some dignified way. He proposes that the Board of Directors appoint a committee of three and appropriate a sum for expenses, and that this committee of arrangements try to organize a committee of three hundred representing all the main interests of the Negro race in America, and also get the co-operation of white friends. SECONDLY, it is necessary for us immediately to take steps concerning the future of Africa. The director is seeking to get in touch with the Government in order that at the Peace Conference some recognition of the rights of the Negro race in Africa may be recognized. THIRDLY, at a meeting of representatives of seven states in this office an organization to push consumers' cooperation among colored people was made. The first year will be devoted principally to study.

(Signed) W.E.B. Du Bois.

September 9, 1918.

Report accepted and placed on file.

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Report of Acting Chairman:

The Acting Chairman reported verbally:

(1) On her western trip during which she attended the annual meeting of the National Association of Colored Women at Denver, speaking at an evening session devoted to the N.A.A.C.P., addressed branches at Denver, Pittsburgh, Peoria, Moline, Des Moines, Lincoln, Neb., St. Paul, Minneapolis and Syracuse, organized branches at Omaha, Neb., and Colorado Springs, Col., and stopped off to meet branch officers, but without addressing meetings, at Chicago and Detroit. The Acting Chairman said that she was deeply impressed with the keen interest taken in the N.A.A.C.P., by the Middle Western branches visited, and with the increasing courage and confidence of spirit exhibited by the colored people. She had gained much valuable information about branch work and needs, and had since her return, given much attention to matters affecting the relation between the branches and the National Office. (2) Some of the steps suggested by

her trip experience, and otherwise, had already been taken, notably, proposals for branch activities which would appear in the September Branch Bulletin. A Forum plan, embodying a detailed program of six monthly meetings devoted to specific subjects affecting the Negro, is chief among the new proposals. (3) The desirability of allowing the branches more than fifty cents of each membership fee, when more than $1.00 is paid, was alluded to, and of encouraging the payment of larger membership fees through the branches by revising the fifty cent maximum to branches rule. (4) The necessity of widening the representation on the Board by electing persons from the West and South, working in the branches.

Report accepted and placed on file.

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Report of the Secretary:

MEMBERSHIP:(Revised since Board meeting to give more complete information.)

The total number of active branches as of September 12, is 140. 55 of these have been organized since the Storey Drive began. The actual number of membership cards on file is 38,035, but 1,175 additional members would be the actual count, or 39,210, in all, if the reports of six branches whose returns from the Drive have not been completed, turn out to be accurate. The names of the new branches organized since the last meeting, and of the cities to which material for organizing branches has been sent will appear in the Field Secretary's report.

LEGAL:

Discrimination

A number of cases of discrimination have been reported to the office. Some of these have been from Camp Dix. It was alleged in some cases that men under age and over age were inducted into service. One case taken up by the Secretary was that of a man 34 years of age. We were advised by the Commanding Officer of the Camp that a man over age or under age registering had no redress as the fault was due to his own ignorance or carelessness; but that in the specific case mentioned a claim for exemption might be made for dependency if the fact were sustained. The attention of the War De-

partment was directed to the claim that many men physically unfit were at the camp.

2. A letter was directed to the Secretary of the Navy on August 16th, concerning the refusal of the Navy Department at Washington to receive applications of colored women in response to prominent notices in the Washington papers that the Navy Department desired the services of "women between the ages of eighteen and thirty-five years possessing high school education and good health for immediate service. A press story on this case was issued. The case was brought to the attention of the Secretary by Mr. Neval H. Thomas of the District of Columbia Branch. No acknowledgement has been received from Secretary Daniels.

3. The Bronx International Exposition has been grossly discriminating against Negroes. They have been excluded on the ground that they were not members of the "club," and therefore, could not be admitted. This alleged club membership was, of course, a subterfuge. Correspondence has passed between the National Office and the Exposition, and between Mr. Studin's office and the Exposition. First the company took the position that they would continue to exclude colored people. Later their position was modified to the extent that they claimed that they did not exclude colored people but that trouble had resulted because of the questionable conduct of certain colored people who had been admitted. A number of cases of persons denied admittance are known to be in the hands of lawyers in the city. The Legal Committee and the Secretary are now considering the best action to be taken.

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Bundy Case.

A hearing was granted Dr. Leroy N. Bundy by the Legal Committee. After the hearing a statement prepared by the Committee was printed setting forth the Association's reasons for disassociating itself from Dr. Bundy's defense, which statement was given to the colored press and sent to the Association's branches. A reply was made by Dr. Bundy and was published in at least one colored paper. Dr. Bundy's reply does not meet the issue raised between him and the N.A.A.C.P., in any way.

COOPERATION WITH THE GOVERNMENT:

Complete lists of the officers of all of the branches of the Association have been given to the Surgeon General's office and to the Division of Venereal Diseases of the United States Public Health Service, and in specific instances the cooperation of branches has been requested by this latter division of the Community Service. In each instance the Association has done all in its power to cooperate with the Government.

SUGGESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION:

On August 15 a suggestion was made to Mr. George Creel of the Committee on Public Information as to the advisability of endeavoring by publicity to create a feeling of greater friendliness between the races, particularly in view of the Philadelphia riots and the possibility of their recurrence elsewhere. The specific suggestions made were that popularizing the sentiments of the President's mob violence statement and the flashing on moving picture screens, when patriotic pictures are shown, certain phrases that would help to create better

race relations." A letter was received from Mr. Emmett Scott, Special Assistant to the Secretary of War, enclosing a copy of a letter indicating his approval of our suggestion, our letter having been referred by Mr. Cresl to Mr. Scott for an opinion.

IMPORTANT REQUESTS TO BRANCHES:

1. On July 22 a circular letter was sent to all branches requesting that they undertake to secure the names of all members or persons in the immediate families of members of the Association who are engaged in the national service army or navy. This information is desired for the purpose of assembling a N.A.A.C.P. Servic, Flag.

2. All branches were requested to communicate with the San Antonio Express expressing themselves in regard to the lynching reward fund established by that paper. The Secretary's letter to the branches, while pointing out the value of the lynching reward plan, also referred to its limitations and outlined his views for the suggestion of the branches.

3. Branches were requested to write to the President in appreciation of his lynching and mob violence pronouncement.

4. A sufficient number of copies of the Bundy statement issued by the Legal Committee announcing that the Association had disassociated itself from the Bundy defense were sent to the branches to be distributed among the churches of their several cities.

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PUBLICITY:

During the two months intervening between the last meeting of the Board and the present one, 11 press stories have been issued, 8 on Anti-Lynching and Mob Violence subjects, and 3 on other matters.

Report accepted and placed on file.

REPORT OF THE ANTI-LYNCHING COMMITTEE:

The Secretary read details of the report in behalf of the Anti-Lynching Committee concerning the activities of the National Office with regard to lynching, from June 10, 1918 to September 7, 1918 inclusive. This report covered the following items:

INVESTIGATION OF LYNCHINGS IN BROOKS AND LOWNDES COUNTIES, GA., AND ACTION TAKEN IN RE.

COLQUIT, GEORGIA, LYNCHING OF AUGUST 11.

BEN HUR, TEXAS, LYNCHING OF JULY 27.

BASTROP, LOUISIANA, LYNCHING OF AUGUST 7.

CAMP MERRITT "RACE RIOT" INVESTIGATION.

BURNING OF DEWEY, OKLAHOMA BY MOB WHICH HAD BEEN BALKED IN EFFORT TO LYNCH A NEGRO.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S LYNCHING AND MOB VIOLENCE PRONOUNCEMENT.

MEMORANDUM TO THE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION.

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SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS LYNCHING REWARD FUND.

CONGRESSMAN DYER ADVISED THAT THE ASSOCIATION WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN HEARINGS ON THE ANTI-LYNCHING BILLS.

PHILADELPHIA RACE RIOTS.

PRESIDENT STOREY'S ADDRESS TO THE WISCONSIN BAR ASSOCIATION ON THE "NEGRO QUESTION."

EXAMINATION OF THE SOUTHERN NEWSPAPERS FROM APRIL 1 1917, TO JULY 25, 1918.

PUBLICITY.

Eight press stories concerning lynching and mob violence have been given to the press during the period covered by this report.

Report accepted and placed on file.

REPORT OF CRISIS COMMITTEE:

The Chairman of the Committee made a verbal report on the work of the Crisis Committee.

Report accepted.

REPORT OF THE BRANCH COMMITTEE:

No report was made by the Committee on Branches. The Acting Chairman stated however, that the Branch Committee continued to pass upon all applications for charter.

REPORT OF LEGAL COMMITTEE:

In the absence of the Chairman of the Legal Committee, legal work was reported upon by the Secretary as contained in his report.

NEW BUSINESS:

The resignation of Major Spingarn, which had been sent to the members in the notice of the meeting, was considered. The following resolution, proposed by Dr. Sinclair, was unanimously adopted. That the Board request Major Spingarn to withdraw his resignation until the end of the term for which he was elected, December 31st.

The Acting Chairman presented the matter of allowing the branches a higher percentage of the membership fees over $1.00 received by them. After discussion, a resolution was unanimously adopted, that the subject matter be referred to the Committee on Branches with power.

The matter presented by the Director of Publications and Research, concerning the "tercentenary of the Negro in America" was considered. A resolution was unanimously adopted that the recommendation of the Director on Publications and Research on this subject, be adopted, and that the Acting Chairman appoint a Committee of three to initiate a plan, and that an appropriation of ~~100~~ $100 be allowed for expenses. The committee appointed consists of Dr. Du Bois, Chairman, Rev. H. C. Bishop, Mr. Hames W. Johnson.

The Secretary presented for the consideration of the Board, certain matters concerning the application of the administration

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of compulsory work laws in the South, so- called "Work or Fight" regulations of the Provost Marshal General, in relation to the draft and the policy of the United States Department of Labor in taking over the placing of all un-skilled labor, and the relation of all of these matters to the colored people. The Secretary recommended that a Joint Committee of the N.A.A.C.P., and the National League on Urban Conditions among Negroes, if approved by the latter body, would be desirable, and that such committee take as the subject matter of its work the question above presented, and other industrial questions, such as the relation of the Trades Union to colored people. Nor formal action was taken, but by common consent the suggestion was approved.

The Secretary presented a letter from Mr. Storey of September 7th, in which was enclosed communications from General John H. Sherburn, Brigadier General in command of the 167th Field Artillery Brigade American Expeditionary Forces, and from Captain Roy F. Nash of the same Brigade. General Sherburn and Captain Nash asked the aid of the Association to help recruit a brigade of full strength, by assisting it to secure certain Specialists, i. e., Draftsmen, Surveyers, Clerks, Stenographers, Mechanical labor, Saddlers and Horseshoers. General Sherburn stated that he was writing to Major General William Snow, Chief of Artillery, Washington, and suggested that the Association get in communication with General Snow.

The proposal was referred to the Secretary with power to take it up with General Snow.

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The matter of the Association cooperating with the National Association of Colored Women, of which Mrs. Talbert is President, in recruiting a group of women speakers to tour the South during the Fourth Liberty Loan Campaign, in booming the sale of Liberty Bonds was presented. A resolution was unanimously adopted that the Association cooperate with the National Association of Colored Women in this enterprise, and that the Secretary be empowered to execute this program and incur the expenditure. A full report of the work done is to be made by the women, which will include railroad accommodations afforded them through out the trip.

The Secretary presented a letter from Mr. Walling, in which was enclosed a clipping from the New York Times of September 1, being a special article by Mr. Littell Mc Clung, entitled, "Klu Klux Klan Again in the South." It was Mr. Walling's opinion that President Wilson, or any of his chief advisors could be persuaded to take immediate and strong action. It was referred to the Secretary for action.

The Secretary presented the case of a Negro physician Dr. J. A. Miller of Vicksburg, Mississippi, who, upon his refusal to purchase $1000 worth of War Saving Stamps upon demand of the Vicksburg War Saving Committee was tarred and feathered by Vicksburg people, among whom, Dr. Miller claims were police officers, and that he was ordered to leave the city by representatives of this Committee, and by the Mayor, that his house was broken into and goods stolen. Dr. Miller states that he had agreed to buy $150 worth of War Saving Stamps, which was all that he could afford to purchase. Included in

the Secretary's account was the reading of a seven page letter,(single space) giving full details of his career in Vicksburg, where he had been in the active practice of his profession since his graduation from the University of Michigan in 1900, acquiring a practice aggregating in 1918 $5000 annually.

The Secretary reported that there had been considerable correspondence already on this case. That on August 1st, he had presented to the Department of Justice in Washington the case, and that he had received from them an acknowledgement as of August 8th. in which it was stated by the Chief of the Bureau of Investigation that "it does not appear that there has been a violation of any federal law."

The case was referred to the Secretary for action.

As an outgrowth of the consideration of this case, a resolution was adopted that a Committee be appointed to wait on Secretary Mc Adoo, concerning the latest arbitrary action of War Stump and Liberty Loan Committees and banks in the South affecting colored people. That this Committee wait on Mr. Mc Adoo before the Fourth Liberty Loan Campaign.

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The Acting Chairman and the Secretary, presented the needs of the National Office for increased office space, at least double the present capacity. The Acting Chairman announced that she proposes devoting practically her full time to the work of the Association, taking charge of the Department of Branch Affairs to be created as soon as office space could be provided.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the expenditure for this increased office space.

The Acting Chairman announced the appointment of the following Nominating Committee, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution. Committee appointed, Messrs Holmes, Cook and James W. Johnson.

The Acting Chairman presented a suggestion made to her by Mr. Valentine of Bordentown, N. J., that publications in the French language on the race problem be prepared and put into the hands of the French. These publications to deal with the achievements of the Negro, the Negro soldier and etc. The Chairman explained it was her belief that private contributions could be secured to pay for these publications.

The Secretary called attention to the fact, that if the Crisis is to increase its subscription fee it will be necessary to amend Article 1 of the Constitution, which provides that members paying $2.00 or more shall be entitled to receive the Crisis for one year.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Mary White Ovington
Acting Chairman

John R. Shillady
Secretary

Appendix to the Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors

for September 9, 1918.

REPORT OF THE CRISIS TO THE TREASURER FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 1918.

Published ----------	80,000	
Sold ----------	80,000	
Due the CRISIS for subscriptions, sales and advertising during the month of Aug.		$ 4,597.88
Rec'd on postage	$ 5.97	
" & discounts on publishing	82.40	88.43
	Total	$ 4,686.31

Expenses for the month of August were

Subscriptions	$ 4.10	
Sales	1.10	
Advertising	12.32	
General	233.95	
Postage	183.07	
Publishing	2,530.34	
Salaries	1,232.25	
Sta. & Sup.	73.55	4,270.68
Gain in business during August ---		$ 415.63

Received in cash during the month of August	$ 4,670.57
Expended " " " " " " "	4,375.70
Emergency Reserve Fund----------	2,500.00
Cash Balance, August 31, 1918 ----------	853.35
Indebtedness ----------	none
Net Worth ----------	14,590.62

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REPORT OF THE FIELD SECRETARY.

(Omitted from the Minutes of the September meeting)

On August 23, a few days after return from his vacation, the Field Secretary addressed the National Negro Business League in session at Atlantic City. His subject was "Conservatism Plus, Rather Than Versus, Radicalism". In his talk he endeavored to point out that two such organizations as the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the National Negro Business League were logically complemental and not antagonistic to each other; and that they should be made so in practice.

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On September 5, the Field Secretary, together with the Assistant Secretary, went to Jersey City and addressed a group that was interested in having a branch of the Association organized there. The result of the meeting was the organization of a Jersey City branch with 70 charter members. The number of charter members will no doubt be increased before the application for charter is sent in.

NEW BRANCHES.

Since the last meeting of the Board the following new branches have been formed and authorized:

Beaumont, Texas	50
Falls Church, Va	35
Petersburg, Va	29
St. Augustine, Fla.	63
Waycross, Ga.	30
Fayette County, Tenn.	26
Little Rock, Ark.	50
Farrell, Pa.	51
Salem, Va.	56
Colorado Springs, Col.	56
Morgantown, W. Va.	31
New Castle, Pa.	50
Middletown, Ohio	36
Omaha, Neb.	51
Columbus, Ga.	50
Montgomery, Ala.	53
Bakersfield, Cal.	75
St. Rose, La.	50
Pampanga, P. I.	50
Aiken, S. C.	29
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Up to the time of the organization of branches in Montgomery and Little Rock, Alabama and Arkansas were the only two Southern states not represented in the Association; we now have branches in every state in the South.

The only states in which there are no branches of the Association are: Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Arizona and Nevada. Eleven in all. However, we have inquiries concerning the organization of branches from three places in Arizona.

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Organization material has been sent to the following places: Bloomington, Ill., Bowling Green, Ky., Davenport, Ia., Jackson, Tenn., Glass, Miss., San Diego, Cal., Silsbee, Tex., Riverside, Cal., Steubenville, O., Van Voorhis, W. Va., Wellsville, O., Ivor, Va., La Junta, Cal., Urbana, O., Fort Smith, Ark., Bisbee, Ariz., E. Chicago, Ill., White Plains, N. Y., Erie, Pa., Brunswick, Ga., Greenwood, Miss., Cedar Rapids, Ia., N. Braddock, Pa., and Rock Island, Ill. Twenty-four in all. Besides, there have been inquiries from a large number of other places.

The new branches organized, together with those in process of formation, are evidence of the spontaneous and wide spread growth of the Association.

[Anti-Lynching Comm.]

September 7, 1918.

REPORT OF JOHN R. SHILLADY, SECRETARY, TO THE ANTI-LYNCHING COMMITTEE P7

Concerning the Activities of the National Office in regard to Lynchings, from June 10, 1918, to September 7, 1918, inclusive.

INVESTIGATION OF LYNCHINGS IN BROOKS AND LOWNDES COUNTIES, GA., AND ACTION TAKEN IN RE.

Upon instructions of the Secretary, the Assistant Secretary made an investigation of lynchings in Brooks and Lowndes Counties, Ga., which took place from May 17 to 22 and concerning which a telegram of inquiry and protest had at the time been sent to Governor Dorsey of Georgia, in which among other things the Governor was urged to take steps to protect from lynchings one of the (later) victims who, according to press accounts, was at the time being pursued by a mob. (The Governor did put both counties under martial law for a time.)

The Assistant Secretary's findings were sensational in the extreme and have been published in the August number of the CRISIS. To the published record of six victims, one of them a woman, lynched for "unwise remarks" concerning the lynching of her husband, five additional persons have been found to have suffered a like fate. On July 10, the Assistant Secretary in person put into the hands of Governor Dorsey a memorandum of his findings, which contained the names of two ring-leaders and fifteen other members of one of the mobs.

The Governor appeared to welcome the information furnished him and promised immediate action to bring the guilty men to trial. No steps have been taken by him, apparently, as appears from the following summary of subsequent developments.

In order not to embarass the Governor no publicity was given the matter until it was certain that he was to do nothing.

On August 5 a press story on the investigation was released to the press and received considerable publicity. A special article was published by the "Survey" and editorial comment appeared in New York papers and other papers.

(The names of the mob participants were withheld from the press.)

A copy of the memorandum handed Governor Dorsey was sent to the President on July 25, which, of course, contained the names ~~nf~~ furnished to Governor Dorsey. The Secretary wrote to the President's secretary a second time, after an acknowledgement of the original memorandum had been received, asking if it would be interesting to the President to be reminded that among the exhibits submitted to the President was one containing names of specific persons accused of participating in a most atrocious lynching in Georgia. A reply from Mr. Tumulty was to the effect that the matter would be brought to the President's attention at the first favorable opportunity.

On August 21 a telegram of inquiry was addressed to Governor Dorsey and given to the press for release on the 22nd.

On September 4, and additional telegram having been sent to him on August 26 concerning another lynching, Governor Dorsey replied that "so far as I am able to ascertain no definite results have been obtained in the effort to apprehend the guilty parties.

This reply was given to the press for publication in the editions of September 7.

The Secretary is considering what further steps are possible to focus the attention of an unwilling officialdom on this case.

2000 reprints of the CRISIS article are in the press.

COLQUIT, GEORGIA, LYNCHING OF AUGUST 11.

On August 26th, as has been mentioned under the preceding heading, a telegram was addressed to Governor Dorsey of Georgia concerning the lynching of a Negro taken from a sheriff and two deputies near Colquit, Georgia, on August 11, a press story was released for papers on the same day.

BEN HUR, TEXAS, LYNCHING OF JULY 27.

A telegram was addressed to Governor Hobby of Texas on August 2 and released for the press of the 3rd. Publicity was secured

in the Texas papers by telegraphing contents to the Texas office of the Associated Press. The story was printed in full by the San Antonio Express in the issue in which it announced its "Lynching Reward Fund," to which reference will later be made, with the comment that every one must approve in general the purposes of the N.A.A.C.P.

No acknowledgement was made by the Governor. To the Austin, Texas American, whose reporter asked the Governor regarding the receipt of our telegram, the latter replied that he had not received such a message. The secretary wired to this paper the contents of a report from the Western Union Telegraph Company showing that the telegram had been delivered to the Governor's office some hours prior to the statement that he had not received it.

BASTROP, LOUISIANA , LYNCHING OF AUGUST 7.

On August 12 a telegram of inquiry was addressed to Governor Pleasant concerning a lynching at Bastrop, La., on August 7 and a story released to the press of August 14.

No reply from Governor Pleasant to this, our fifth appeal to him since the secretary inaugurated the practice of appealing to the Governors of states.

CAMP MERRITT "RACE RIOT " INVESTIGATION.

The Assistant Secretary investigated alleged serious "race riots" at Camp Merritt, New Jersey, which were reported to have taken place on August 17. The trouble arose from the objection of two colored soldiers from the Y. M. C.A. because their presence was resented by Southern white soldiers. The facts ascertained were given to the press in the vicinity of New York and to the Colored press, as all press copy goes to the latter, and proved to be the first authentic account of the affair. In fact, a New Jersey daily complained that the government had not given news of the affair to the papers direct, allowing them to receive it from the press service of a private organization. The Assistant Secretary wrote to the paper in question explaining the matter. His letter was published.

<u>BURNING OF DEWEY, OKLAHOMA BY MOB WHICH HAD BEEN BALKED IN EFFORT TO LYNCH A NEGRO.</u>

On August 21 a telegram of inquiry was addressed to Governor Williams of Oklahoma regarding the burning of the section inhabited by colored people at Dewey, Oklahoma.

A press story was released on the matter for August 22.

A reply to our telegram was received from the Governor that the matter was being investigated and would be presented to the Grand Jury which was to convene on September 3.

A press story was released to this effect for the papers of August 26.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S LYNCHING AND MOB VIOLENCE PRONOUNCEMENT.

The President's mob violence pronouncement was by far the most important event related to the Committee's work which has occurred within recent months. The attention of the Committee is called to the fact that while specific reference was not made to the lynching of Negroes in the President's statement, all the press accounts read by the Secretary, and these include many Southern papers, contained indentical introductory matter to the effect that while the President "did not specifically refer to the lynching of Negroes in the South it is known that he included them in his characterization of mob spirit," etc.

On July 25, in ignorance of the President's intention as to the form and character of the pronouncement he was to make and whose forthcoming had been anticipated in "inspired" press stories, the Secretary addressed to him a carefully prepared memorandum giving reasons for including in any pronouncement that was to be made by the President, specific condemnation of the lynching of Negroes and including as exhibits certain of the Association's investigations.

Toward the end of June requests had been made of 44 of the larger branches of the Association that they busy themselves in securing as many letters and telegrams addressed to the President as was possible in the short time given them to accomplish this, urging him to include in his Fourth of July address some strong condemantion of

Among the many claims as to "who did it" the Association's Anti-Lynching work has not been least among those influences entitled to credit.

The chairman of the Committee and the Acting Chairman of the Board of Directors have approved printing a considerable edition of the President's appeal to the country. It is apparent that much more than this appeal will be needed to prevent lynching.

The Secretary has requested all of the branches to express their approval of the President's action.

MEMORANDUM TO THE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION.

On August 17 the Secretary addressed a memorandum to the members of the executive committee of the American Bar Association, out lining suggestions as to the steps that seemed most likely to be effective in combating lynching and enclosing copies of the reports of certain of the Association's reports of lynching investigations.
Copies were sent toall members of the committee.

SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS LYNCHING REWARD FUND.

On August 4th the San Antonio Express of San Antonio, Texas, announced the establishment of a fund of $100,000 in effect for a period of five years from August 3, 1918, from which would be paid rewards for the punishment of lynchers. Five hundred dollars in case the victim was white, ~~xxx~~ one thousand if colored. Copies of the announcement were sent by the San Antonio Express to the newspapers and periodicals of the country. The Secretary has been in correspondence with the donors of this fund and has suggested to them that there is needed a fund of approximately $10,000 annually for the purpose of investigating lynchings by outside trained investigators and publishing the facts. Further suggestions are contemplated.
The substancesof the Express's announcements have been transmitted to the branches of the Association, with the request that they communicate their views concerning it to the donors.

CONGRESSMAN DYER ADVISED THAT THE ASSOCIATION WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN HEARINGS ON THE ANTI-LYNCHING BILLS.

On the advice of Mr. Storey, with the approval of the Chairman of the Committee, the Secretary informed Congressman Dyer of Mr. Storey's opinion, that both the Moores and Dyer Bills would be held unconstitutional by the Supreme Court, and that it would not be advisable for the Association to participate in hearing on a bill such as that proposed by the Intelligence Bureau of the War Department, limiting federal jurisdiction over lynching to the dependents of employees of the United States, or those liable to military service. A copy of Mr. Storey's opinion was transmitted to Mr. Dyer.

PHILADELPHIA RACE RIOTS.

An investigation of the race riots ~~appearing~~ occurring in Philadelphia July 26 to 31, was made by the Assistant Secretary. A report of Mr. White's findings is on file. No use has yet been made of this report.

PRESIDENT STOREY'S ADDRESS TO THE WISCONSIN BAR ASSOCIATION ON THE "NEGRO QUESTION."

On June 27 President Storey addressed the Wisconsin Bar Association on the "Negro Question." A committee of the Bar Association, headed by Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Winslow brought in a very favorable report on the subject matter of the address and asked to be continued for a year in order that they might report to the next succeeding annual meeting some constructive suggestions for remedying the evils disclosed by Mr. Storey.

7500 copies of the address, including the committee's report, are in press and will be distributed by the National Office. Allusion has been made to the matter in this report as much of the address is given to a powerful and wholly admirable presentation of the lynching of Negroes as a national evil, although other phases of the Negro question

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treated by Mr. Storey are included.

EXAMINATION OF THE SOUTHERN NEWSPAPERS FROM APRIL 1, 1917, TO JULY 25, 1918.

Assistant Secretary White and a staff of young women recruited in Washington were assigned to read Southern newspapers from the beginning of the war, and compile all essential data concerning cases of lynchings reported in these papers. The purpose of this investigation was to discover any data that might be missing from the Association's records. Very little additional information was discovered. Twelve cases which might be described as doubtful were found in addition to those already reported.

PUBLICITY.

Eight press stories concerning lynching and mob violence have been given to the press during the period covered by this report.

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September 20, 1918.

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Gentlemen:

We are sending you enclosed herein a copy of a letter just received in this office, which seems to indicate that all of the branches of your organization have not as yet kept themselves free from unreasonable prejudices against colored troops. We are sending you a copy of this letter and suggest that you take this matter up with the Pocatello, Idaho, branch of the Red Cross to ascertain if there was any reason for such refusal of service to colored troops passing through that city, and also to prevent, if possible, a recurrence of such undemocratic action as this. We will appreciate your advising us in the matter.

Yours very truly,

Assistant Secretary.

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Mr. Walter F. White
Assistant Secretary
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
70 Fifth Avenue, New York.

My dear Mr. White;

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Very truly yours,

Wallace Alexander G. Gaillard

Director, Division Administration.

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Send copy of this letter with explanatory letter to Clyde L. Thomas 716 So. 2nd St. Salt Lake City, Utah.

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(Signed) Willoughby G. Walling,

Director, Division Administration.

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September 28, 1918.

Mr. Willoughby G. Walling,
Director, Division Administration,
American Red Cross,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Walling:

I have your letter of September 24 in answer to mine of September 20, for which I thank you.

We are glad that you are taking this matter up with your Mountain Division, and I will appreciate your advising us concerning its report to Mr. Pizzini.

With grateful and sincere, personal good wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

Assistant Secretary.

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Treasurer's Report
of the

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Month of September, 1918

Receipts			Expenditures	
General Account				
Balance in bank Aug. 31		$10,085.67	Salaries	$1140.98
" Petty Cash F.		100.00	Postage	88.71
			Rent	50.00
Membership	2014.00		Telegrams	16.04
Contributions	1311.00*		Telephone	12.55
Bulletin Sales	24.50		General Expense and supplies	30.56
Pin "	15.65		Membership fees returned to branches	796.00
Miscellaneous	1.40		Printing	92.57
		3,366.55	Furn. & Fixtures	213.00
			Travelling Expense (including $500 advanced for Liberty Loan speakers)	558.59
			The Crisis - subscriptions	123.75
			advertising	20.05
				$3142.80
			Balance in bank Sept 30 -	10,309.42
			Petty Cash Fund	100.00
		$13,552.22		$13,552.22

Special Funds

Balances in banks Aug. 31 -		Expenditures from Anti-Lynching Fund during month of September -	
Anti-Lynching Fund	$5935.50	Telegrams	$78.76
Maclean Memorial "	215.34	Multigraphing	26.22
Jim Crow "	8.00		104.98
Legal Fund	68.50		
	6227.34	Balances in banks Sept. 30-	
September contributions to anti-Lynching Fund -	6.00	Anti-Lynching Fund	6128.52
" to Legal Fund	5.00	Maclean Memorial "	215.34
		Jim Crow "	8.00
		Legal Fund "	73.50
	$6238.34		$6238.34

*Note: Contributions include gift of $1000.00 from Mr. Schiff

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors

October 14, 1918.

The October meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was held in the editorial offices of the Crisis, 70 Fifth Avenue, at four o'clock, pursuant to notice, Miss Ovington presiding.

Present: Miss Ovington, Mrs. Kelley, Dr. Jones, Dr. Bishop, Dr. Du Bois, Dr. Holmes, Mr. Studin, Mr. Villard, the Secretary, the Field Secretary and the Assistant Secretary.

Regrets from Mr. Loud, Mr. Kennaday, Prof. Cook, Mr. Grimké, Bishop Hurst, Mr. Crawford.

The minutes of the September meeting were approved as sent out excepting that the Secretary was authorized to include the report of the Field Secretary which was inadvertently omitted.

The report of the Treasurer was accepted as sent out. The report showed receipts for the month as follows: Memberships, $2014.; Contributions, $1311 ($1000 of which was from Mr. Jacob H. Schiff); Bulletins, Pins and Miscellaneous, $41.55; making a total of $3366.55. The gross expenditures for the month were $3142.80, Excluding the return of membership fees to branches and payment to the Crisis for subscriptions, the net expenditures were $2223.05, leaving a balance on hand September 30 in the General Fund of $10,409.42.

The receipts during the month from the Special Funds were: Anti-Lynching Fund, $6; Legal Fund, $5. Expenditures from these funds were: Anti-Lynching Fund, $105.98. Balance in Special Funds, $6132.36.

Report of the Director of Publications and Research:

The net paid circulation of the Crisis for September was 80,500 copies. The cash income was $4,156.82. There was expended $6,599.63. Included in this expense is $1,500 invested in Liberty Bonds as a reserve fund and two months' supply of paper instead of one month as usual. This is in order to be sure of our paper for the Christmas number. We also have a cash reserve fund of $500 and a cash balance of $410.54. There is still no indebtedness and the net worth is $12,824.19.

Unfortunately, recent orders of the War Industries Board make it impossible for the Crisis to enlarge at present as we cannot use next year more than 90% of the paper which we used last year. The enlargement, then, must wait and the price will remain at one dollar until we can enlarge.

As this is the end of the ninth month of the year, a review of the Crisis activities during the year may be in order.

Up to October 1, 1918, the Crisis has published and sold

3,077,449 copies and has had a total income of $188,631. The total income for the year 1917 was $32,836. For the nine months of 1918 it has already been $41,167. Doubtless for the whole year our income will exceed $50,000. A table of the income and circulation is given below:

Total Net Paid Circulation and Total Income of The Crisis
1910 - 1917

	Income.	Total Circulation.
1910 (2 months)	375	3,500
1911	6,572	108,000
1912	13,217	264,000
1913	19,739	336,000
1914	22,124	377,400
1915	23,865	385,872
1916	28,193	451,500
1917	32,836	495,477
1918 (9 months)	41,167	655,700
	$188,631	3,077,449

The average monthly net paid circulation for the nine months of 1918 has been 72,855 copies. A table of the average monthly net paid circulation from the beginning is appended:

1910 (2 months)	1,750 copies
1911	9,000 "
1912	22,000 "
1913	27,000 "
1914	31,450 "
1915	32,156 "
1916	37,625 "
1917	41,289 "
1918 (9 months)	72,855 "

The Director has been interested during the month in the projected Tercentenary Celebration and in pushing the Cooperative Movement.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Secretary:

MEMBERSHIP: As of October 1, the total number of branches is 142 and the total membership, 39,639; 1,217 of these are members at large and 38,422 are branch members. The names of the new branches organized since the last meeting will appear in the report of the Field Secretary.

ANTI-LYNCHING: The activities of the Executive Office concerning lynchings are detailed in a separate sheet attached hereto. Press stories referred to are omitted but may be consulted upon request.

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The National Office investigated the shooting by police officers of William Johnson, a Camp Upton soldier, at 62nd Street and Amsterdam Avenue, on September 18. An investigation made by Mr. White showed that the officers were not justified in the shooting. A conference was called with the executive officers of the New York Branch which was attended by the Secretary, the Field Secretary and the Assistant Secretary. Following this conference, a committee of the New York Branch, accompanied by the Assistant Secretary, interviewed Johnson at Bellevue Hospital, securing additional statements from him, and presented the facts in person to the District Attorney who agreed to press a criminal charge against the police officers and to prosecute the case. The New York Branch is watching the matter, as is the National Office.

COMPULSORY WORK LAWS: Since the last meeting's consideration of compulsory work laws the Secretary has had a conference in Washington with Assistant Secretary of Labor Post, Solicitor Abercrombie and Director of Negro Economics Haynes of the United States Department of Labor concerning this matter and related questions.

On September 24 letters of protest against forcing women to work (as was feared was to be attempted at Pine Bluff, Ark.) were addressed by the Secretary to President Wilson and Governor Brough of Arkansas. The Little Rock Branch was asked to investigate and deal with the matter immediately. Press publicity in Arkansas and New York papers was to the effect that the Pine Bluff Chamber of Commerce had announced that they were to inaugurate a movement to force Negro women to work in the cotton fields, alleging that many women who were in receipt of allowances from members of their families in the army had refused to work. The report of the Little Rock Branch is to the effect that owners of cotton plantations in that vicinity are finding it difficult to secure help, largely because they refuse to adjust themselves to the new wage standards. They are offering the same prices for cotton-picking now when it is 35 cents a pound as when it was being sold for ten cents a pound. The Branch states that women in Arkansas are getting from two to three dollars a day for their work and consequently cannot be induced to work in the cotton fields at the low wages offered. The Branch admits that there is a small number of women who could work but were refusing to work, but that these women were among the undesirable element of the community and were not typical. The Branch and colored people of the vicinity had been active in organizing public sentiment against arbitrary action.

TRIP OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY: With the approval of the Acting Chairman, Mr. White starts today, October 14, on a trip of probably six weeks through the South to investigate the compulsory work laws and their administration, and the labor situation generally. The United States Department of Labor, previously referred to, will welcome the facts anticipated from this investigation. Further, information received by the National Office convinces us of the necessity of making such a study.

VICKSBURG CASE: In the case of Dr. J. A. Miller and two others, referred to in last month's report as having, in Dr. Miller's case, been tarred and feathered at the instance of the Chairman of the War

Savings Stamp Committee, by Vicksburg people among whom was a police officer, and in the case of the two others, ordered not to return to Vicksburg - the Secretary presented the case in a detailed memorandum to Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo.

No action was taken to have a committee wait on Secretary McAdoo in regard to the arbitrary methods used in some communities to secure Liberty Loan support among colored people, due to the lack of comprehensive information and because it was not possible to organize this committee in time.

STUDENTS' ARMY TRAINING CORPS: On September 24 a telegram was received from a student at the Ohio State University, Oxford, Ohio, and one from the Columbus Branch, followed by communications from the Cleveland Branch to the effect that colored students had been denied admission to the Students' Army Training Corps, in both the Western Reserve, Oberlin College, and the Ohio State University. The refusal to admit colored students followed instructions of the regional director of the training and instruction branch of the Committee on Education and Special Training of the War Department, and was based upon the director's interpretation of the War Department's rules that colored and white students must be segregated in separate housing barracks. The Secretary and Mr. Grimke appearing as a committee, took the matter up with Mr. Emmett J. Scott in Washington on September 28. Telegrams concerning the matter had been sent by students to Mr. Scott. Mr. Scott sent a telegram to the authorities to the effect that the War Department had not issued any instructions preventing Negro students from joining the Students Army Training Corps and that any student mentally and physically qualified and accepted by the school officials is eligible for admission to the Students Army Training Corps. An editorial in an Omaha colored paper showed that a similar state of affairs existed in that state. The Secretary wired the editor informing him of the War Department's action.

A press story on the matter was released October 7 and all the branches notified.

DISCRIMINATION BY CURTISS AEROPLANE COMPANY: On October 8 a letter was received from Dr. George E. Haynes, Director of Negro Economics in the Department of Labor, stating that the discrimination cases presented by the Association on behalf of the Buffalo Branch have been investigated and that through the Adjustment Service of the Department of Labor conditions have been so arranged that there will be no further cause for complaints of this nature.

"BIRTH OF A NATION": A national campaign to secure the suppression of "The Birth of a Nation" during the period of the war and to secure an improvement in the motion picture characterization and poster art illustrations of the activities of colored people, particularly of patriotic events, has been begun through the following measures:

1. Letters have been addressed to the Governors and State Councils of National Defense of all the states calling their attention to the action taken by Governor Cox of Ohio and by

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the West Virginia Council of National Defense, which have resulted in the withdrawal, by voluntary action of the producers in the first case, and by suppression in the second, of "The Birth of a Nation" and asking that similar action be taken in their respective states.

2. Circular letters were addressed to all the branches asking them to follow up this action by appropriate local action to the same end.

3. A press story has been sent out on this matter and on the objectionable character of certain illustrated publicity used in Liberty Loan campaigns, due to lack of imagination and the persistence of archaic types of water-melon eating and similar caricatures of Negro character.

4. Mr. E. K. Jones of the Urban League suggests that the Association begin a campaign of education among motion picture managers, requesting that they present the better side of Negro life and not only this alleged humorous side. This suggestion will be followed up.

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LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGN: Pursuant to action taken at the last meeting, arrangements were made to place six representatives of the National Association of Colored Women and the N.A.A.C.P. in the field to help boom the sale of Fourth Liberty Loan bonds among colored people in the Southern States. Through Mrs. Mary B. Talbert, President of the former association and a member of the Board, and Miss Nannie Burroughs, acting as a joint committee, arrangements had been made to accept the services of the women by the National Woman's Liberty Loan Committee, acting through Miss Mary Synon, treasurer of the latter committee, and Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, Chairman of the Women's Council of National Defense. The women were to act subject to the approval and control of the various state chairmen of the Woman's Liberty Loan Committees.

At first there was a rather general acceptance of the Association's offer to pay all expenses and put the women in the field. Afterwards, some state chairmen declined to accept the women's services. The reasons for refusal were explained by the National Committee to relate to previous arrangements made by the state chairmen and not to a disinclination to receive the women. The final arrangements were made that Mrs. Talbert was to tour Louisiana and Texas; Mrs. Addie W. Dickerson, North Carolina; Mrs. Lizzie B. Fouse, Kentucky; and Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, Maryland and Virginia. Expense money was furnished by the National Office and arrangements made for the work, through the Association's branches and through members of the National Association of Colored Women.

At present Mrs. Talbert is in Louisiana and Mrs. Fouse in Kentucky. The Secretary is not informed as to whether Mrs. Dickerson had actually begun her work in North Carolina. But, owing to the prohibition of all meetings on account of the influenza epidemic, the work had to be abandoned. The secretary cannot at this time report on the financial expense so far involved. He believes that the announcement of annulment was made before Miss Burroughs had actually gone into the field and that the same may be true of Mrs. Dickerson's trip. It was the intention that Mrs. Talbert should

undertake to organize branches in Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and perhaps other states, after she had completed the Liberty Loan work. How far the epidemic may interfere with these plans is problematical, as yet. She is awaiting instructions and developments. The Secretary hopes that she can be of some definite service in the region where she now is and will instruct her accordingly.

Mrs. Talbert reported excellent beginnings. One Shreveport Negro had subscribed for $100,000 worth of the Fourth Loan, making him the largest reported purchaser in the state.

One of the objects of the women's tour was to be that of making a confidential report on railroad accommodations afforded them and of conditions of travel for colored people generally. A letter from Mrs. Talbert reports greatly improved railroad accommodations in Louisiana; that the Texas and Pacific Railroad was giving equal accommodations; that she and a colored woman companion had been served at the third call on the dining car, receiving courteous treatment from all railroad and dining car officials except the colored porter who was most insolent.

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QUESTIONS RELATING TO VOTING:

The Secretary presented the matter of the voting of soldiers in camps, stating that he had written to Mr. Grimke of the District of Columbia Branch, asking that the Executive Committee of that Branch take up this matter with the War Department and ascertain the steps to be taken to make sure that the votes of colored soldiers in camps would be counted, and asking that the Legal Committee of the District of Columbia Branch advise the National Office how to proceed.

The Secretary reported that he had had several letters from Texas and Oklahoma regarding disfranchisement. In the Texas case it was the disfranchisement largely of women, and in Oklahoma of colored people; that the Texas branches had been asked to cooperate in fighting disfranchisement cases in that state; that the Houston Branch had already succeeded in having overruled a decision made by county officers to exclude women from registration.

PUBLICITY: Seven press stories have been sent out since the last Board meeting (some of which received very little notice) on the following matters: Lynching of John Gilham, Grey, Ga.; Shooting of William Johnson, a Camp Upton soldier; Letters to President Wilson and Governor Brough of Arkansas re Compulsory Work Laws; Liberty Loan Campaign; Students Army Training Corps; Curtiss Aeroplane Discrimination; "Birth of a Nation."

The Secretary has written an article for the November Crisis discussing the finances of the Association and outlining a budget of $50,000 for 1919.

A supply of 7,500 pamphlets of Mr. Storey's address on "The Negro Question" has been received and will be distributed to a selected list of libraries, publications, members of Congress, other officials and prominent individuals. A single sheet statement headed, "The Remedy," will be prepared for enclosure.

Mr. Johnson's address at the National Conference of Social Work in May, on "The Changing Status of Negro Labor," has been reprinted.

A 4-page leaflet, "Pamphlet Publications of the N.A.A.C.P.," has also been printed and distributed to the branches. Prices have been fixed for publications at less than cost to encourage branches to order literature, while providing for partial financial returns. This method will be given a trial.

5,000 copies of the President's lynching and mob violence pronouncement have been printed.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Field Secretary:

The Field Secretary attended the conference of the Fellowship of Reconciliation at Highland, New York, September 20 and 21. He addressed the Conference on Saturday evening, the 21st. His address seemed to be well received. Some members of the Conference became members of the Association, and several others have made inquiries, especially about our work against lynching.

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On Sunday afternoon, September 22, the Field Secretary addressed the Y.M.C.A. in Harlem.

On October 2, the Field Secretary went to Philadelphia with Mr. Shillady, the Secretary.

A meeting had been arranged with the Trenton Branch to be held on the night of October 9, but this meeting had to be cancelled on account of the influenza epidemic. The Field Secretary had also arranged for a tour of the Virginia branches. These meetings gave every promise of being successful, but they have all had to be cancelled on account of the epidemic which now seems to be wide-spread all over the country.

On Sunday, the 13th, the Field Secretary, accompanied by Mr. White, the Assistant Secretary, went to Brooklyn to make an investigation of the so-called race riot which took place there on Saturday, October 12. He found that the facts did not agree with the reports in the daily newspapers; that there was, strictly speaking, no clash of races. The serious trouble which came about was caused by the lack of tact on the part of the police in disbursing a crowd. One colored man was shot and killed by the police. Although the conduct of this man was not altogether blameless, nevertheless, the killing was unnecessary and exceedingly brutal. It is the intention of the Field Secretary to take this matter up further with the Police Captain of that particular precinct and to see if some mutual understanding between the Police Department and the law-abiding class of colored people of that vicinity cannot be arrived at, so as to avoid similar and perhaps even more serious occurences.

NEW BRANCHES: Since the last meeting of the Board applications have been received from new branches in the following cities:

Davenport, Ia.	50 members
Brunswick Ga.	60 "
Riverside Cal.	33 "
Flint Mich.	50 "
Pueblo Col.	100 "
Dallas Texas	138 "
Bloomington-Normal Ill.	50 "
Wellsville, O.	35 "
Hawkinsville, Ga.	25 "
Total	539 members

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The Secretary and the Field Secretary have discussed the advisability and the necessity of increasing the staff of field workers. To this end Mr. Shillady wrote to the Rev. R. W. Bagnall of Detroit, Mich., asking in a tentative way if the Association could have his services. Mr. Bagnall replied that he did not feel he could leave the ministry for any other work, but that he would like to give as much of his time as he could possibly spare to the work of organizing branches and stirring up interest in the work of the Organization. He also stated that he could give the full month of June, July or August. The matter of compensation he left entirely to the office.

Mr. Shillady and the Field Secretary both are of the opinion that it would be well for the Association to have a good man, or better still, a good man and a good woman to assist in the field work. There could be no better choice than Mr. Bagnall, who is intelligent and forceful, and very much devoted to the work of the Association.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Committee on Branches:

The Secretary reported on behalf of the Committee on Branches that it had considered the question of the readjustment of the proportion of membership fees to be retained by branches, which was presented at the last meeting by the Acting Chairman and referred to the Committee for consideration.

The Committee recommends that the branches be allowed to retain fifty per cent of all membership fees up to a maximum of five dollars, that is to say, of all membership fees paid in to the branches, from one dollar to ten dollars inclusive, the branches shall retain fifty per cent of the amount collected, remitting fifty per cent to the National Office; of all membership fees in excess of ten dollars, a maximum of five dollars will be retained by the branches.

Report accepted and placed on file.

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Report of the Legal Committee:

Mr. Studin reported verbally for the Legal Committee that it had been constantly in consultation with the Secretary's office in regard to various legal matters and had advised the office how to proceed in several cases; that the most important matter, perhaps, was the Bundy case; that following the Association's publication of its statement in that case announcing that the Association was no longer connected with Dr. Bundy's defense, which appeared in the August Branch Bulletin and the September Crisis, replies had been made by Dr. Bundy himself and a group consisting of twenty-one persons, largely colored ministers, except that three signatures appeared to be those of Tom Webb, Webb & Zerwick, and Homer G. Phillips, lawyers in the case. This statement went into detail, alleging that the Association's action was harmful to Dr. Bundy and that he was justified in what he had done. Mr. Studin explained that Mr. Charles Nagel and Mr. Pitman, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the St. Louis Branch had been communicated with and that a reply had been received from Mr. Nagel. Mr. Studin explained that he and Captain Spingarn had considered it doubtful whether Dr. Bundy would ever be tried; that friends of Dr. Bundy had approached a certain legal organization in the city asking for assistance in securing Dr. Bundy's entrance into the army as a dentist, alleging that if he were taken into the army the Attorney General of Illinois would be willing to drop his case.

Mr. Studin reviewed the circumstances relating to Dr. Bundy's action and the Board's connection with the case, giving the substance of Mr. Nagel's letter which was (1) that Mr. Nagel had no reason to believe that the State does not intend to try Dr. Bundy; that it was broadly hinted at the time when Dr. Bundy issued a statement implicating himself in political graft and vote buying in East St. Louis that he would not be tried if such a statement were made, but that no one in authority had made such a statement to Mr. Nagel and that he had made no bargain with the Attorney General's office; (2) that Mr. Webb of Webb & Zerwick had said to him that he expected the case to go to trial in November; (3) that when the lawyers originally were employed, at Mr. Nagel's instance, nothing further was said as to the appointment of additional counsel other than the engagement of a local attorney as assistant, which is usual; (4) that every reasonable provision had been made for the proper defense of Dr. Bundy.

Mr. Studin stated that as soon as Mr. Pitman had been heard

from, the Committee would consider whether a detailed reply was to be made to the last mentioned Bundy statement.

Report accepted.

Report of the Committee on Tri-Centenary Celebration:

Dr. Du Bois made a verbal report for the Tri-Centenary Committee, stating that the Committee had held some preliminary meetings and had arranged for a dinner to be held on Saturday, October 19, to which some 33 persons had been invited and that at this dinner plans would be discussed for the commemeration of the 300th anniversary of the landing of the Negro on American soil.

Report accepted.

Report of the Nominating Committee:

Mr. Holmes reported for the Nominating Committee that only one suggestion had been received by him from one of the members of the Committee; that no suggestion had come from the branches other than this.

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NEW BUSINESS.

The following new business was presented and the following action taken:

Upon motion of Mr. Villard, the recommendation of the Committee on Branches in regard to the proportion of membership fees to be retained by branches, was adopted.

1 Mr. Villard suggested to the Board that immediate steps be inaugurated to compile records concerning the Negro soldier's work in the present war, this compilation to be in the nature of a careful and scientific record of the number and character of colored regiments, the number of soldiers, number and names of commissioned officers, staff officers, these receiving special mention, honor medals, etc., the question of training and development of training camps, etc.; that this material be prepared with the idea of getting out a book at the close of the war.

2 Upon motion of Mr. Villard, seconded by Dr. Bishop, a resolution was passed that this work be undertaken by the Association under the direction of the Director of Publications and Research and that an appropriation not to exceed $2,000 during the next six months be authorized for this purpose.

Mrs. Kelley initiated a discussion of the anti-lynching problem which was participated in by Mr. Studin, Dr. Du Bois and the Acting Chairman. Mr. Studin made an earnest request that every director advise the Secretary of his idea as to how the lynching problem should be attacked.

On motion of Dr. Du Bois it was voted that the Secretary be authorized to enter into arrangements with Mr. Bagnall terminable at the discretion of the Secretary and the Acting Chairman, at such compensation as would be agreed upon.

The Secretary presented Mr. Kennaday's suggestion that the time of the meetings of the Board be changed to evening. The suggestion was discussed and disapproved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Acting Chairman.

Secretary.

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October 14, 1918.

REPORT OF JOHN R. SHILLADY, SECRETARY, TO THE ANTI-LYNCHING COMMITTEE

Concerning the Activities of the National Office in regard to Lynchings, during the month of September, 1918.

September 3: John Gilham, at Gray, Ga.
Letter of inquiry and protest sent September 11 to Governor Dorsey of Georgia and released to a limited number of papers. Little publicity except in colored papers.

September 18: Abe Oneal, at Buff Lake, Texas.
A letter was received from the President of our Houston Branch enclosing a copy of a letter written by him on October 7 to the Acting Governor of Texas asking for an investigation into the alleged lynching of Abe Oneal on September 18 at Buff Lake, and stating that his information was that Oneal's body had been buried and the facts had been kept secret.

No action has been taken on this case as yet other than the acknowledgment of Mr. Mims' letter by the Secretary. This lynching, if confirmed, is the eighth of which we have record to occur since the President issued his mob violence pronouncement on July 26. Two of these have been in Texas, one in Louisiana, one in Mississippi, one in Florida, and three in Georgia.

September 24: Sandy Reeves, 17 years old, was lynched near Blackshear, Ga., having been taken from officers. He was accused of assaulting a three-year-old girl. A letter has been received from our Waycross, Ga., Branch alleging that no assault was committed or attempted by young Reeves; that the child of his employer was playing near him while he was picking grapes and that she grabbed up five cents which dropped from his pocket. When he tried to get it back she made a scene and an outcry. The President of the Waycross Branch says he has complete information upon the case.

Mr. White will see him when he is in Georgia in the next few weeks.

John R. Shillady

Secretary

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Form No. 881

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THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

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October 18, 1918.

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Mr. Walter F. White, Asst. Sec.,
National Assoc. for the Advancement of Colored People,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. White:-

Remembering your request, I am enclosing you herewith the report of a special committee appointed by the Public Safety Committee of Bannock County Council of Defense, Pocatello, Idaho, upon alleged discrimination by the local Red Cross Canteen Service in the case of colored troops.

I send you this statement rather than a lengthy investigation made by our own people, as it sets up the situation upon the finding of an outside organization.

All of the correspondense shows that the incident in Pocatello was evidently considerably enlarged.

Very truly yours,

Wallace Gabby F. Wallace

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Pocatello, Idaho, September 5, 1918.

The Public Safety Committee,
Bannock County Council of Defense,
Pocatello, Idaho.

Gentlemen:

We, your special committee of the Committee on Public Safety, beg to report that the alleged discourteous treatment of colored troops at Pocatello Canteen Unit on September 2 has been carefully investigated with the following findings:

We find that the young women in charge of the Canteen Unit on this date did not intentionally discriminate between colored and white soldiers and that no discourteous treatment was thought of or intended but that due to certain incidents that have been fully explained by those in charge of the Canteen Unit, we can readily understand how the colored soldiers may have felt that they were not treated with the same degree of courtesy as white soldiers.

We find that the officers of the Canteen Unit were faithful in the performance of their duties and are taking every reasonable precaution to see that soldiers shall be treated alike, whatever race or color.

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We wish to suggest that the regulation of the Government bearing upon the matter of legally accredited workers in the Canteen Unit should be carefully observed in the future and that at all times there should be in charge at least one woman of mature years, experience, and judgement.

We wish to assure the colored people of our city that the officers and workers of the Canteen Unit will be unusually alert in the future to make sure that no charge such as this one may again be made against this organization.

We further suggest that a copy of these findings of this committee be sent to the officers for the war organization of the colored people of our city.

COMMITTEE: Fred Barnes
A. B. Bean
Miles F. Reed

[N. A. A. C. P.]

A PROPOSED SOLEMN MEMORIAL ON THE TERCENTENARY OF THE TRANSPLANTING OF THE NEGRO RACE TO THE UNITED STATES

1619 AUGUST 1919

The undersigned committee is hereby inviting thirty-three men and women to dine as the guests of the committee at the Libya, 147 West 139th Street, New York City, Saturday night, October 19, 1918, at six o'clock.

The dinner will be followed by a conference on the advisability of organizing a committee of 300 for the purpose of holding in August, 1919, a solemn and dignified commemoration of the landing of Negroes at Jamestown in 1619. We feel that in the present crisis in the world's history a commemoration of this sort if suitably carried out by a national committee representing all the interests of the Negro race would be a means of bringing our wrongs, our accomplishments and our aspirations prominently before mankind.

Will you kindly indicate to the chairman promptly your ability to attend on this occasion?

W. E. Burghardt Du Bois, Chairman,
70 Fifth Avenue, New York.
Hutchins C. Bishop
James Weldon Johnson

Temporary Committee of Arrangements Appointed by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

[NAACP]

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1619 · AUGUST · 1919

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W. E. Burghardt Du Bois,
Chairman,
70 Fifth Avenue, New York.
Hutchins C. Bishop
James Weldon Johnson

For the Committee of Thirty-three

Invitations have been sent to:

Abbott, Robert S., Chicago, Ill.
Anderson, Charles W., New York City
Bishop, Hutchins C., New York City
Blackwell, Bishop G. W., Charlotte, N. C.
Bowles, Eva, New York City
Boyd, Henry A., Nashville, Tenn.
Bray, J. A., Birmingham, Ala.
Burroughs, Nannie H., Washington, D. C.
Cannon, George E., Jersey City, N. J.
Chesnut, Charles W., Cleveland, Ohio
Church, Robert R., Nashville, Tenn.
Crawford, George W., New Haven, Conn.
Davis, Benjamin J., Atlanta, Ga.
DuBois, W. E. B., New York City
Green, Samuel W., New Orleans, La.
Grimke, Archibald H., Washington, D. C.
Hall, George E., Chicago, Ill.
Harris, George W., New York City
Hawkins, W. Ashbie, Baltimore, Md.
Haynes, George E., Washington, D. C.
Hershaw, Lafayette M., Washington, D. C.
Howard, Perry, Vicksburg, Miss.
Hurst, Bishop John, Baltimore, Md.
Jackson, Robert R., Chicago, Ill.
Johnson, Edward A., New York City
Johnson, James W., New York City
Jones, Robert E., New Orleans, La.
Lewis, William H., Boston, Mass.
Miller, Kelly, Washington, D. C.
Mitchell, Jr., John, Richmond, Va.
Morton, Ferdinand Q., New York City
Moore, Fred R., New York City
Moton, R. R., Tuskegee, Ala.
Murphy, J. H., Baltimore, Md.
Pace, Harry H., Atlanta, Ga.
Penn, I. Garland, Cincinnati, Ohio
Powell, A. Clayton, New York City
Scott, Emmett J., Washington, D. C.
Talbert, Mary B., Buffalo, N. Y.
Terrell, Robert H., Washington, D. C.
Trotter, William Monroe, Boston, Mass.
Vann, Robert L., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Walker, Mme. C. J., New York City
Wright, Jr., R. R., Philadelphia, Pa.
Young, Colonel Charles, Xenia, Ohio

Secretaries

[N.A.A.C.P.]

AT THE LIBYA

147 WEST 139TH STREET, NEW YORK CITY

OCTOBER 19, 1918

Menu

SOUP

CHICKEN CONSOMMÉ WITH RICE

CELERY AND OLIVES

FISH

FILLET OF SOLE POTATOES VICTORIA

ROAST

MILK FED CHICKEN, VERMONT FILLING

STUFFED BAKED POTATOES GREEN PEAS IN THIMBLES

CANDIED VIRGINIA YAMS PEACHES A LA CONDÉ

SALAD

ROMAINE, RUSSIAN DRESSING

ICE CREAM AND CAKE

BLACK COFFEE

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Tercentenary

A Proposed Solemn Memorial

OF THE

Tercentenary of the Transplanting of the Negro Race to the United States

1619 — AUGUST — 1919

"About the last of August came a Dutch man of warre that sold us twenty Negars."

JOHN ROLFE, 1619, in John Smith's Works,
Arber edition, p. 541.

ON September 9th, 1918, the Board of Directors of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE appointed a committee of three to make preliminary arrangements for the commemoration. The committee consisted of W. E. Burghardt Du Bois, Chairman, Rev. Mr. Hutchins C. Bishop, and James Weldon Johnson.

The Committee met September 10th and 23rd and formulated an invitation to a "Committee of Thirty-three" to dine in New York, October 19th, and confer on the advisability of organizing a committee of three hundred for the purpose of holding in August, 1919, a solemn and dignified commemoration of the landing of Negroes at Jamestown in 1619. The committee felt that in the present crisis in the world's history a commemoration of this sort if suitably carried out by a national committee representing all the interests of the Negro race would be a means of bringing our wrongs, our accomplishments and our aspirations prominently before mankind.

Agenda for the Committee of Thirty-three

A. Message of Preliminary Committee.
B. Temporary organization of the Committee of Thirty-three.
C. Plans for permanent organization.
D. Selection of Committee of Three Hundred.
E. Consideration of the form of the memorial.
F. Finance.

C. *A proposed plan of permanent organization.*

1. Grand Committee of 333 to meet in New York, January 3rd to 6th, 1919.

2. Grand Committee to select

(1) An Honorary Commission of Presidents of the Memorial; consisting of (for example):

The Empress of Abyssinia
The Presidents of Hayti and Liberia
Ex-Governor Pinchback
Ex-Speaker Lynch
Richard T. Greener
Elijah McCoy
Senior Bishops of the A.M.E., A.M.E. Zion, and C.M.E. Churches
A Colored P. E. Bishop
A Colored M. E. Bishop
The President of the National Baptist Convention

(2) The Vice-Presidents of the Commission, consisting of

(a) A representative from each of the larger racial organizations.

(b) A representative from each State.

(3) An Honorary Treasurer.

3. The Executive Commission, consisting of

An Executive Secretary
A Secretary of Finance
A Secretary of Publicity
A Secretary of Exhibits
A Secretary of Congresses
A Secretary of Literature

The executive power should rest in the hands of the Executive Commission.

D. A proposed Committee of Three Hundred to be added to the present Committee of Thirty-three.

E. Proposed form of the Memorial.

Friday, August 1st—Silent Parade throughout the nation with banners and muffled drums.

Sunday, August 3d—Day of Prayer.

August 4th-9th—Election of a National Negro Congress.

Friday, August 8th—National Concerts of Negro Music.

August 10th to 23d—Local Exhibits of Negro History and Advancement, with lectures, moving pictures and lantern slides.

Friday, August 22d—Local Pageants of Negro History.

August 24th-29th—Sittings of the National Negro Congress and other national organizations.

Saturday, August 30th—Opening of permanent Exhibit and founding of the Encyclopedia Africana.

Sunday, August 31st—"The last of August"—Day of Thanksgiving Throughout the Negro World.

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Following the arrangement made by the Committee appointed by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, consisting of W. E. Burghardt Du Bois, Rev. Mr. Hutchins C. Bishop and James Weldon Johnson, to make preliminary arrangements for The Commemoration of the Tercentenary of the Transplanting of the Negro Race to the United States, a conference dinner was held in New York City on Saturday night, October 19th. The following persons were present:

W. E. B. Du Bois, New York City
Rev. Hutchins C. Bishop, New York City
James Weldon Johnson, New York City
John Henry Murphy, Baltimore, Md.
W. Justin Carter, Harrisburg, Pa.
Fred. R. Moore, New York City
Mme. C.J. Walker, Indianapolis, Ind.
Lafayette M. Hershaw, Washington, D. C.
Rev. A. Clayton Powell, New York City
Robert H. Terrell, Washington, D. C.
Ferdinand Q. Morton, New York City
Geo. W. Crawford, New Haven, Conn.
Mason A. Hawkins, Baltimore, Md.
William Ashbie Hawkins, Baltimore, Md.
Thomas E. Taylor, New York City
Robert L. Vann, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Dr. Gertrude Curtis, New York City
R. R. Wright, Jr., Savannah, Ga.
W. T. Andrews, Baltimore, Md.
John E. Nail, New York City
William R. Valentine, Bordentown, N. J.
Rev. Everett W. Daniel, New York City
George W. Harris, New York City
Eva Bowles, New York City
William Pickens, Baltimore, Md.

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After the dinner, Dr. Du Bois stated the purpose of the Conference, and gave a general outline of the tentative plans which had been formulated by the Committee of Three. These plans were discussed by Mr. Murphy and Judge Terrell.

The Conference then went into organization. Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois was elected Chairman, James Weldon Johnson, Secretary, and Mme. C. J. Walker, Treasurer.

A motion was made by Dean Pickens of Baltimore that a copy of the printed list containing several hundred names be placed in the hands of each member of the preliminary conference to be used as a ballot, and that each member of the Conference, by adding to or eliminating from this list, should nominate not more than three hundred persons for the Grand Committee. This motion led to a general discussion which was taken part in by all present.

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Mr. Ferdinand Q. Morton moved the following amendment to the motion: That a committee, consisting of the original Committee of Three and others to be named, have the authority to amplify the Grand Committee nominated by members of the Conference, to the number of five hundred.

After further discussion, the amendment was put before the house and carried.

Upon a vote, the original motion was carried.

Upon motion of Mr. Murphy of Baltimore, it was voted that the members of the Dinner Conference be known as the Central Committee, and that it be enlarged to represent all of the States.

Upon motion of Judge Terrell of Washington, it was voted that each member of the Central Committee be assessed Five ($5) Dollars in order to meet preliminary expenses of The Commemoration.

Upon motion of Mr. William Ashie Hawkins of Baltimore, it was voted that the assessments of Five ($5) Dollars and the ballots for the election of the Grand Committee, be sent to the Secretary on or before December 1st.

Upon Motion of Mr. Fred R. Moore of New York City, it was voted that the Chairman be empowered to appoint whatever committees might be necessary for carrying out the measures adopted by the Conference.

Upon motion of Mr. Valentine of Jersey, it was voted that programs which would give the public schools a part in carrying out The Commemoration be arranged.

After some general and enthusiastic remarks regarding the magnitude and importance of the undertaking, the Conference adjourned.

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Treasurer's Report
of the
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF
COLORED PEOPLE

Month of October, 1918

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RECEIPTS			EXPENDITURES	
GENERAL ACCOUNT				
Balance in bank Sept. 30 -		$10,309.42	Salaries	$1082.15
Memberships	$937.05		Postage	55.25
Bulletin sales	51.95		Rent	50.00
Literature "	29.41		Telephone.	16.65
Pin "	33.10		Telegrams	19.02
Contribution from Branches for "Drive" travelling expenses	101.45		Gen.Expense and Supplies	33.96
			Printing	390.60
			" Branch Bulletin	68.90
			Crisis subscriptions . . .	139.20
			Advertising	26.40
			Travelling Expense	340.87
			Furniture and Fixtures	25.00
			Tercentenary celebration appropriation	100.00
Refunded by Mrs. A. W. Dickerson from travel.expense advance	28 49		Memberships - proportion refunded to branches	192.00
			Total	$2537.78
		1,181.43		
		$11,590.85		$11,590.85
SPECIAL FUNDS				
Balances in banks Sept. 30-				
Anti-Lynching Fund	$5835.52		Anti-Lynching expenditures -	
Maclean Memorial F.	215.34			
Jim Crow Fund	8.00		Telegrams	$15.56
Legal Fund	73.50			
			Balances in banks Oct. 31 -	
Anti-Lynching Receipts	126.97			
			Anti-Lynching Fund	5946.93
			Maclean Memorial Fund	215.34
			Jim Crow Fund	8.00
			Legal Fund	73.50
		$6259.33		$6259 33

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CORRESPONDENCE WITH MR. SCOTT

Memoranda

On Sunday, November 3, I invited Mr. Scott and Mr. James W. Johnson to have dinner with me. After dinner I broached the subject of closer cooperation among the various factions of colored people, stating that in my opinion the difference of aim and method, even, between the two parties was so small that we could easily work in cooperation. Mr Scott agreed with this cordially. I then mentioned three matters of cooperation: (1) the Tercentenary (2) Promotion of Consumers' Cooperation through the Business League (3) the History of the Negro in the Great War. Mr. Scott was sympathetic in all these matters, but stated that he was already considering a publisher's proposition for writing a history himself, and that he would communicate with me later. After hearing from him, I wrote him November 8, (copy enclosed), and received his reply November 10, (copy also enclosed). I am afraid we are not going to get his active cooperation.

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November 8, 1918

Mr. Emmett J. Scott
War Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Scott:

Confirming my conversation with you last Sunday, I beg to say that the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has undertaken a History of the Negro in the Great War. We intend that this shall be a complete and definitive work, done with scientific accuracy and literary skill, and based on as exhaustive collection of facts and documents.

As Director of Publications and Research of the N. A. A. C. P. I have been appointed to arrange for the collection and material and preparation of this work. No one is more convinced than I, however, that the sort of work which we wish to publish cannot be the work of any one person. I am, therefore, inviting an Editorial Board of colored writers and students to collavorate with me, and I am arranging for local War History Committees in each State, city and county. I am, of course, especially anxious for you to have a prominent place on this Editorial Board as collaborator, and am willing to arrange the basis of collaboration in such way as will best suit you.

I have, as I told you, been in communication with Mr. C. G. Woodson with the same idea in mind, and am writing him again by this mail.

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E.J.S. #2

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Our Board meets Monday, at 4 p. m., and I wish very much that I could hear from you by letter or by telegram before that time.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) W. E. B. DuBois

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November 10, 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Editor, The Crisis
70 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I have your letter of November 8th.

As I indicated when I spoke with you last Sunday evening, since February last I have been arranging the details of a program for the preparation and publication of a book dealing with the Negro's participation in the war. In this program I have made place for the co-operation of a number of agencies, (one of which, you, yourself, have named as having in mind), and have about completed arrangements for publication, etc.

I can hardly believe, however, that my plans need interfere with your program.

I thank you for your great kindness in inviting me to associate myself with your effort, and only regret that my plans, long since matured, prevent me from co-operating as a collaborator.

Yours sincerely,

EMMETT J. SCOTT

I spole to Mr. Woodson of my plans some 6 or 8 weeks ago.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors

November 11, 1918.

The November meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was held in the editorial offices of The Crisis, 70 Fifth Avenue, at four o'clock, pursuant to notice.

Present: Miss Ovington, Dr. Jones, Messrs. Crawford, Bishop, Du Bois, Studin, Villard, the Secretary and the Field Secretary.

Regrets from Bishop Hurst.

The report of the Treasurer was accepted as sent out.

Report of the Director of Publications and Research:

The net paid circulation of THE CRISIS for October was 80,500 copies. The cash income was the largest for any month since the foundation of THE CRISIS,- $5,553.58. We have a cash reserve of $500 and a reserve of $1,500 in Liberty Bonds. Beside these, the cash balance in the bank is $409.75. The net worth of THE CRISIS is $12,867.

The Director has taken up the matter of collecting material for a history of the American Negro in the Great War. He has considered that his first duty should be to unite into one great effort various workers and persons of prominence whose efforts might otherwise be dissipated in other directions. With this in mind, he has appealed to Mr. Emmett J. Scott of the War Department, Mr. George E. Haynes of the Department of Labor, and Mr. Carter G. Woodson of the Journal of Negro History. Nothing definite has yet come from this appeal.

The Director has outlined a method of procedure which would include search of the United States and State Legislation reports and decisions, a history of the cantonments, and of the various great philanthropic agencies, and a detailed study in each county, beside study of press dispatches and of the various regiments and units. He thinks that within the next three months, the machinery can be started toward getting this work done. He recommends at an early date a visit to France, to collect and systematize matters from French sources. He is now at work upon a general committee from various organizations to insure their sympathy and help.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Secretary:

Due to protracted discussion of new business, the Secretary's report on the general work of the month was not made to the Board and is hereby offered in the minutes:

MEMBERSHIP: As of November 1, the total number of branches is 148 and the total membership, 40,405. 1,235 of these are members

at large and 38,170 are branch members. The names of the new branches organized since the last meeting of the Board will appear in the report of the Field Secretary.

ANTI-LYNCHING: On November 5 George Taylor was lynched at Rolesville (near Raleigh), N. C. The Secretary has addressed telegrams to Governor Bickett, Solicitor Norris of Wake County, N. C., who instituted an investigation and empaneled a coroner's jury to apprehend the lynchers, and to the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce urging that President Wilson's appeal against lynching and mob violence be supported.

COMPULSORY WORK LAWS: The Memphis papers of October 24 carried a display advertisement of the Memphis War Work Committee warning able-bodied men and women, white and colored, to secure employment without delay and work constantly six days each week, claiming that the Committee was speaking in the name of the government of the United States.

Fearing that only colored women would be compelled to work if women were included in any compulsory work ordinance enacted, the Secretary sent telegrams of protest to the Memphis War Work Committee, to the Mayor of Memphis and to the United States Secretary of Labor. The compulsory work ordinance which has now been passed by the city of Memphis excludes women from its provisions.

The Assistant Secretary has been engaged in an investigation of the operation of compulsory work laws and of labor conditions generally as affecting colored people. His report will be submitted later.

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A report has been received from Tampa, Fla., stating that some colored women doing domestic work had asked their employers for a raise in pay. Being denied it, they had quit their employment; whereupon they were the subjects of police action at the instigation of the employers.

"BIRTH OF A NATION": As a result of the Association's campaign to suppress the photoplay, "The Birth of a Nation," many Governors and State Councils of Defense have written in answer to the Secretary's letters, stating that they would do what they could to prohibit the showing of the film.

LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGN: On account of illness, Mrs. Addie W. Dickerson of Philadelphia who was to be one of our speakers for the Fourth Liberty Loan Campaign could not go to North Carolina, so Mrs. Bennett of Chester, Pa., went in her place. Mrs. Bennett visited the following cities with the results indicated:

Elizabeth City.....	$450
Goldsboro.....	650
Kingston.....	4100
	$5200.00

Meetings at Winston-Salem, Wilmington, New Bern, Raleigh, were cancelled on account of the influenza epidemic. Mrs. Bennett's work was done at an expense of $71.51.

Mrs. Lizzie B. Fouse of Lexington, Ky., travelled in Kentucky, visiting the following cities: Frankfort, Louisville, Harrodsburg, Paris, Versailles, Nicholasville, Middlesboro, Danville, Richmond. Mrs. Fouse has not yet sent in the amount of money raised but will do so as soon as she gets a report from the Campaign Committee. The expenses of her trip were $53.55.

Mrs. Mary B. Talbert, who was scheduled for Louisiana and Texas, reports some splendid meetings at which several thousand dollars were raised, but has not yet sent in her final report.

JIM CROW: A partial report of Jim Crow conditions observed in connection with the Liberty Loan Campaign has been received. This matter will be reported on at a subsequent meeting when fuller data are in hand.

LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT AND WAR DEPARTMENT INTERVIEWS IN RE COLORED SOLDIERS VOTING:

On October 30, just after President Wilson had made his appeal to voters of the nation for a Democratic Congress, the Secretary addressed to him a letter asking that both as President and as the spokesman for the Democratic Party he take steps to safeguard the rights of Negro electors, particularly colored soldiers on duty in the several training camps. The President's attention was called to the fact that in many of the Southern States Negro electors have been prevented from casting their ballots.

Previous to communicating with the President, the Secretary spent a day in Washington interviewing officials of the War Department regarding the procedure of voting at the training camps. Mr. Grimké was present at these conferences. The Secretary of War had caused to be issued a general order in regard to the voting of men in the various camps, but was disinclined to accept our suggestion that a second general order be issued requiring camp commandants to report to the Department which State Commissions appeared at the camps to canvass the votes of their citizen soldiers, upon what dates, and the units voting. He said that he would welcome any complaints that were brought to his attention, if we had any to offer after the event.

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PUBLICATIONS AND THEIR DISTRIBUTION: The article in the November Crisis, "Finances of the N.A.A.C.P." has been reprinted and will be widely distributed. "The Negro in War-Time," by Bolton Smith of Memphis, Tenn., with a Rejoinder by James Weldon Johnson, published in The Public for August 31 and September 21 has been reprinted. A circular in regard to copies of "The Negro Question" by Moorfield Storey being on sale at National Headquarters has been sent to all Crisis agents.

ARRANGEMENTS WITH REV. R. W. BAGNALL AS FIELD ORGANIZER: A three months arrangement with Rev. R. W. Bagnall (for field work) has been entered into, at $60 per month and necessary expenses. This arrangement is to be renewed or terminated by either party. Mr. Bagnall will give practically half of his time to the work of organizing and supervising branches in Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and northern Illinois, subject to the general direction of the National Office and Mr. Johnson as Field Secretary.

"NIGGER WAR BRIDES" MATTER: A song entitled "Nigger War Brides," published by Thomas Goggan & Brother, Houston and Galveston, Texas, has been brought to our attention. The Secretary has written to the publishers requesting that this song be withdrawn from circulation. No reply has yet been received.*

PUBLICITY: Five press stories have been sent out during the month: (1) On "The Birth of a Nation" campaign - to Friendly and Colored papers; (2) on the letter to President Wilson re colored soldiers voting; to Friendly and Colored papers; (3) on the Memphis Compulsory Work Laws -

* Since this date the publishers have changed the title of the song, displaying an admirable spirit as expressed in a letter received November 19. The firm are New England men who explained that they did not wish to humiliate or offend colored people.

to Friendly and Colored papers, also wired to Memphis Associated Press; (4) a second story on Memphis Compulsory Work Laws - to the Colored Press; (5) on the lynching of George Taylor at Rolesville, N. C. - to New York papers and wired to the Raleigh, N. C. Associated Press.

Report of the Field Secretary:

Owing to the ban placed on public meetings due to the influenza epidemic, the Field Secretary has not yet been able to hold the meetings in Virginia and Tennessee which had been arranged and afterwards postponed. His time, therefore, has been mostly taken up with routine branch matters, the organization of new branches by correspondence, and general office affairs.

However, on October 26, he addressed the Intercollegiate Socialist Society at the People's House in New York on "Reconstruction and the Negro." On November 7 he attended the conference of the Fellowship of Reconciliation at Mount Kisco, N. Y., for which body he drafted the statement of "Christianity and the Negro Problem in the United States," to be included in the manifesto to be issued by the Fellowship.

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The Field Secretary reports the following new branches: Ypsilanti, Mich., 50 members; Jersey City, N. J., 50 members; Fort Smith, Ark., 50 members; Bay City, Mich., 51 members. He recommends that charters be granted to the following branches:

	Members		Members
Asheville, N. C.	50	Lorain, O.	56
Augusta, Ga.	71	Lynchburg, Va.	91
Bakersfield, Cal.	74	Montgomery, Ala.	117
Beaumont, Texas.	94	Mercer County, Pa.	69
Bloomington-Normal, Ill.	55	New Castle, Pa.	52
Brunswick, Ga.	60	Omaha, Neb.	71
Colorado Springs.	55	Pueblo, Col.	100
Columbus, Ga.	121	Rocky Mount, N.C.	51
Danville, Va.	138	St. Rose, La.	57
Davenport, Ia.	50	Salem, Va.	58
Falls Church, Va.	60	Ypsilanti, Mich.	50
Flint, Mich.	50	Jersey City, N. J.	50
Little Rock, Ark.	54	Shreveport, La.	171

The Branch at Panama, Canal Zone, has not yet reached the required fifty, the membership at present being 41, but the officers feel that the granting of the charter will aid them in increasing the membership of the Branch. In view of the unique position of this Branch and the anxiety of its officers and members for a charter, the Field Secretary recommends that the rule be waived regarding the granting of a charter and that the charter be granted.

Report accepted and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Studin, seconded by Dr. Bishop, it was

VOTED, That charters be granted to the branches recommended in the report of the Field Secretary with the exception of the Isthmian Branch which has not yet reached a membership of fifty.

On motion of Mr. Studin, duly seconded, it was

VOTED, That the Isthmian Branch be not chartered until it has reached a membership of fifty.

Report of the Legal Committee:

Mr. Studin, Chairman of the Legal Committee, reported on the matter referred to him by the Executive Officers and the Nominating Committee concerning the method to be followed in order to increase the membership of the Board. Mr. Studin said that the membership of the Board could be increased to a maximum of 40 in accordance with the membership law of New York State, but that a notice of such amendment must be sent with the notice of the annual meeting.

On motion of Mr. Crawford, duly seconded, it was

VOTED, That a notice such as suggested by Mr. Studin, to permit of an increase of the Board to 40 members, be sent out with the notice of the next annual meeting of the Association.

Miss Ovington presented the resignation of Dr. John G. Underhill. The resignation was accepted with regret.

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Report of the Nominating Committee:

Dr. Holmes, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, read the following report:

1 - We recommend that steps be taken to make possible the increase of membership on the Board of Directors from 30 to 40 members.

2 - We renominate as Directors for 3 years, beginning January 1, 1919, Mr. George W. Crawford, Bishop John Hurst, Mr. Paul Kennaday, Mr. Joseph P. Loud, Dr. William A. Sinclair, Captain Arthur B. Spingarn, Mr. Charles H. Studin, Rev. G. R. Waller, Mr. Butler R. Wilson, Miss Lillian D. Wald.

3 - In place of Dr. Underhill, resigned, we nominate Mr. R. R. Church of Memphis, Tenn.

4 - We recommend that Prof. Cook of Washington be reimbursed for the expenses involved in attending the meeting of the Nominating Committee held on Sunday, November 3.

Report accepted and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Crawford, duly seconded, it was

VOTED, That Prof. Cook be reimbursed for his expenses incurred by his attendance at the meeting of the Nominating Committee, as recommended in the report of the Committee.

(4)

Dr. Du Bois read a memorandum affecting the African colonies and their status at the Peace Conference which had been put in the hands of the (Colonel) House Commission through the interest of George Foster Peabody and P. W. Wilson of the London Daily News, but with what effect was not known.

On motion of Mr. Crawford, duly seconded, it was

VOTED, That the Acting Chairman appoint a committee of three to procure a committee of twenty-five representative Negroes to present to President Wilson Dr. Du Bois' statement, and to take such other steps as would be possible to promote the program contained therein.

The Secretary suggested the desirability of holding a conference or conferences on the general problem of reconstruction affecting the Negro. After discussion, the proposal was generally approved but

(3 = over)

without motion and left to the Executive Office to work out.

3 The Director of Publications and Research offered a detailed plan, in amplification of his formal report, regarding the securing and preparing of material for the proposed "History of the Negro in the War," and initial steps taken to accomplish the work assigned to him. The Board approved the action taken and the plan as a whole.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Acting Chairman.

Secretary

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MEMO to Mr. Villard,
Mr. Peabody, and Mr. Wood.

I am enclosing a copy of a circular which has been sent out from Washington and comes to me indirectly. You will note that precisely the thing is about to happen which we tried to avoid.

I have no desire at all to interfere with Mr. Scott's plans, or wishes but he has been to say the least, lacking in frankness in going ahead with a plan almost identical with that of the N. A. A. C. P., after promising at least cooperation.

Mr. Woodson has also apparently acted in the same ungenerous manner.

The question now is, what shall be done?

The simpliest way is to give up the whole scheme, and let Mr. Scott go ahead with his plans. The objection to this is, that Mr. Scott is not a historian or a trained writer. Another plan would be to have an immediate conference with Mr. Scott and Mr. Woodson. Personally, I suggest, that my contribution to the history be confined to the French side and that I make a trip to France to collect this matter, and to do what I can at the Peace Conference for the African Colonies.

Would it be possible for you Gentlemen, to meet me sometime Monday, at this office or elsewhere? We can arrange the hour by telephone.

Enc.
70 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.
Nov. 16, 1918

Immediate Release

NEGRO'S PART IN GREAT WAR TO BE TOLD

Notables Will Co-Operate to Issue an Authoritative History-- Effort to be Made to Place copy in Every Colored Home in America.

4-1-14

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Associated with Dr. Scott in this big undertaking will be a number of agencies which assure a comprehensive and authoritative history of the important part the colored people of the United States have played in the great struggle. Among these co-operating agencies are, Frank Parker Stockbridge, Publicity Director of the American Library Association, New York; Dr. Robert E. Park, Professorial Lecturer in Sciology, University of Chicago; Dr. Carter G. Woodson, Director of Research, The Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, Inc., William Anthony Aery, Publication Secretary, Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute; Monroe N. Work, Director, Division of Records and Research, Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute; Ralph W. Tyler, Accredited Representative of the Committee on Public Information at the war front in France; Mrs. Alice Dunbar Nelson, who has helped to mobilize the colored women of the country for war work under the auspices of the Woman's Committee, Council of National Defense; and Miss Eva D. Bowles, Executive Secretary in charge of Colored Work, Young Women's Christian Association.

A staff of assistants of experience and technical training will also be selected to gather and compile material under the auspices of these co-operating agencies.

Publishers of international importance will print and circulate the history. Their program contemplates placing a copy as nearly as possible in every colored home in America.

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R. W. T.

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along in dependent lines
I suppose you
have seen this
J. J. Shepard

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

TO

Pd. Neg. 12/3/18.

1918 W. E. B. DuBois, Dr.

Nov. 12-14		Trip to Philadelphia and return, account Conference on Africa				
		Railroad fare	5	84		
		Six meals	5	76		
		Two lodgings	4	00		
					15	60

O. K. _____

APPROVED _____

Received of

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

_____ *Dollars*

in full for the above account.

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Please Receipt and Return to 70 Fifth Avenue, New York

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National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

To _____ *Dr.*

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

TO

Pd. Nafd 12/3/18

1918 W. E. B. Du Bois, Dr.

		Expenses of Conference at Saratoga, with George Foster Peabody				
Nov. 18-19		Fare and sleeper, Saratoga	8	06		
		Fare and sleeper, return	8	06		
		Tips		50		
		Dinner	1	25		
					17	87

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

TO

Pd. Nov 14/18.

1918 W. E. B. DuBois, Dr.

Nov. 29		Trip to Washington, D.C., re, passport to France				
		Fare and Pullman		9	92	
		" " "		9	92	
		Cab hire		2	00	
		Three meals		2	74	
						24 58

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The Nation
20 Vesey Street, New York

November 26, 1918.

Mr. W. E. Burghart Du Bois,
The Crisis,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Du Bois:

I am sorry not to be of any further help, but I am sailing next Monday and need every minute to settle up my affairs and get off.

After re-reading the Scott announcement carefully I am of the opinion that we shall have to abandon the conference for the present. I think they got ahead of us and I am very sorry, for I am sure that it will not be 50% effective.

Sincerely yours,

Oswald Garrison Villard

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Convent
121 W 116th

Will Mr. Dill please see that there is enough money deposited to my account in the bank and changed to my salary from time to time to meet the following obligations? Miss Allison has signed checks to fill out and send.

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Weekly on Mondays, $30.00 cash to Mrs. DuBois.

December 1 Rogers' coal bill, about $27.00

" 13 Victrola installment, Wanamaker, $10.00

" 15 Wanamaker bill, about $50.00

Gas and telephone bills, about $10 - $12

January 1 Penn Mutual Life Insurance - Premium and Interest, about $250.00

" 10 Auto Brokerage Company - $136.22

" 13 Victrola installment - $10.00 Wanamaker

" 15 Wanamaker bill - $50.00 (or more)

Gas and telephone bills, about $10 - $12

Rogers' coal bill - about $45.00

February 10 Auto Brokerage Company - $131.72

" 13 Victrola installment - $10.00, Wanamaker

" 15 Wanamaker bill, $50.00

Gas and telephone bills, about $10 - $12

" 25 Second mortgage interest, etc., to Rachlin, $147.14

March 1 North Carolina Mutual & Provident Association Insurance, $13.08

" Note to Mr. Trotman - $128.75

" 10 Auto Brokerage Company - $131.08

" 13 Victrola installment - $10.00, Wanamaker

" 15 Wanamaker bill, - $50.00

Gas and telephone bills - $10 - $12

December 3, 1918

Memo for Mr. Dill:

Dr. DuBois wishes you to attend to the matter of having his car stored.

The car is now at the Greenwich Village Garage, card attached. He wishes the Cutting-Larson Company, 109 W. 64th Street, Columbus 9680, to deflate the tires, drain out the oil, etc., get a 1919 license, and store the car until his return.

Mr. Haines is the representative with whom he deals.

Attached also is the key to the car.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors

December 9, 1918.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was held in the editorial offices of The Crisis, 70 Fifth Avenue, at four o'clock, pursuant to notice, Miss Ovington presiding.

Present: Mr. Grimke, Mr. Loud, Dr. Bishop, Mr. Walling, Dr. Jones, Miss Ovington, the Secretary, the Field Secretary, and the Assistant Secretary.

Regrets from Dr. Holmes, Mr. Studin, Mr. Villard, Miss Wald, Dr. Sinclair, Mrs. Kelley.

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The Minutes of the November meeting were approved with the following corrections:

(1) Dr. John Haynes Holmes was present at this meeting.

(2) The following motion was inadvertently omitted: The recommendation of the Nominating Committee that Mr. Robert R. Church, Jr., of Memphis, Tenn., be elected a member of the Board of Directors to fill the unexpired term of Dr. John G. Underhill, resigned, said term expiring December 31, 1919.

Report of the Acting Chairman:

The Acting Chairman reported that the Annual Meeting would be held on January 6. In the afternoon at the Assembly Hall of the Charity Organization Society, at 2.30, reports will be given from the National Officers and from the branches; in the evening a mass meeting will be held in Carnegie Hall, the subject of which will be "Africa in the World Democracy." Numerous communications have been received in the office expressing the wish that the Association take a stand regarding the native African and that we have a representative in Paris.

Dr. Du Bois sailed on the Orizaba on Sunday, December 1, representing the National Association and the Crisis. He will take part in the Pan-African Congress to be held in Paris to emphasize the internationalization of Africa and the securing of a partial self-determination for the natives of German colonies. His primary work, however, is the securing of material for the Negro history for which $2,000 was appropriated at the October Board Meeting. The Chairman advanced Dr. Du Bois $1,500 for this purpose.

Report accepted.

Report of the Treasurer:

The report of the Treasurer, as sent out to the members of the Board, showed, for the General Fund: Receipts, $1,392.15; Expenditures, $3,736.20; Balance in Bank, $6,619.02; and for Special Funds: Receipts(Anti-Lynching and Legal) $5.00; Balance in Banks, $6,348.77.

The report was accepted as sent out.

Report of the Secretary:

The Secretary reported briefly,and verbally, on membership only and submits the following report for inclusion in the minutes:

The membership of the Association as of December 1 is 154 branches and 41,524 members. The particular items on which the Secretary desires to report are:

1. That the Secretary was one of an organizing committee of fourteen for the Conference on Demobilization and the Responsibilities of Organized Social Agencies which was held November 29 and 30 in New York and attended by leaders in the most important national and New York City organizations. Through the Secretary's interest and with the desire of the Committee, several colored representatives of national organizations were invited. The Association's Field Secretary, Mr. Johnson, and Dr. George E. Haynes were on the printed program to lead discussions. The following resolution, introduced on behalf of organizations working with colored people and signed by Messrs. L. Hollingsworth Wood and Eugene Kinckle Jones for the National League on Urban Conditions Among Negroes, and Dr. George E. Haynes, Director of Negro Economics, and for the N.A.A.C.P. by the Secretary and the Field Secretary, was presented to the Committee on Resolutions, approved by them, and was unanimously adopted by the Conference:

> That every program for national and community reconstruction shall adequately and consciously include provision for our Negro fellow citizens and for their cooperation therein.

The Conference was reported in a special edition of The Survey (December 7) and will be followed, it is expected, by some form of association or permanent council of executives of national organizations. Two hundred copies of this edition of The Survey were secured and have been sent to the secretaries of the branches and members of the Board.

2. Upon the request of the Louisville Branch, the Mayor of the city was telegraphed asking that "The Birth of a Nation" be prohibited in Louisville. Immediately upon the receipt of this telegram and after being called upon by a committee from the Branch, the Mayor took action to suppress the play. The Branch credits the telegram from the National Office as being the largest factor in the result.

3. The Secretary spent December 2-5 in Boston, speaking at the annual meeting of the Branch on the evening of the 2nd and attending the meeting of the Anti-Lynching Committee at Mr. Storey's office, on December 5. In the interim he met with and addressed informally a small group of women gathered together at the Twentieth Century Club by Mrs. Butler R. Wilson, and was one of the speakers at a delightful reception tendered to the Anti-Lynching Committee

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through Mrs. Wilson and her associates at the Community Rest House for Soldiers (Columbus & Camden Avenues, Boston). At this meeting Miss Ovington, Messrs. Storey, Walling and Grimke made brief addresses.

4. The Secretary attended the Conference of the National League on Urban Conditions Among Negroes at Columbus, O., on November 26, at which he was invited to speak and was on the program for an address in the afternoon and for the platform meeting in the evening. He took advantage of this opportunity to meet with twenty of the officers and prominent members of the Columbus Branch at a dinner at which practical questions relating to the work of the Association and the relation of the National Office to this Branch were discussed.

5. Judge Brown, President of the Chicago Branch, brought to the attention of the Secretary an order issued by Regional Director of Northwestern Railroads, R. H. Aishton stating that "The conditions under which Negroes are employed as firemen, hostlers, switchmen, brakemen, etc., are not to be extended beyond the practice heretofore existing, and you are cautioned against employing Negroes for this class of service or in any service not heretofore open to them nor to take the places of white men."

The Secretary immediately wired Director General McAdoo, protesting against this order, sending a copy of his telegram to President Wilson. After a few days (the delay being due to his absence from Washington) Secretary McAdoo replied as follows:

> "Your telegram of the 29th was received while I was on an inspection trip of the railroads. I was not aware of the order to which you refer but I am looking into the matter and will advise you later." *

The wire to President Wilson was simply acknowledged by his secretary.

6. The Secretary has received from Mr. Robert R. Church, Jr., recently elected a member of the Board of Directors, the following communication:

> "Please express to the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People my deep appreciation for the confidence reposed in me by electing me a member of that body. I hope to be able in some way to help in the great work yet to be done, and you know when convenient I will be happy to attend the meetings."

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*On December 11 the Secretary received from Director General McAdoo a letter (dated December 7) in which he stated that he had directed that the letter of the Division of Operation and the order of Regional Director Aishton be withdrawn.

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7. NEW OFFICES: On December 1 the administrative office and the Crisis Department took offices on the Sixth Floor of 70 Fifth Avenue, where the Crisis has the space identical with its former quarters and the Association adjoining office room. The change is in every way fortunate. With the enormous growth of the National Body and the great increase in its work, new quarters became imperative. At one time it looked as though these could not be secured at 70 Fifth Avenue. Then the League to Enforce Peace moved away and we moved into their large attractive rooms.

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Report of the Field Secretary:

MEETINGS: In addition to office duties, the Field Secretary has, since the last Board meeting, spoken at the following meetings: November 18, at the Friends' Meeting House, Germantown, Pa.; November 22, at the opening of the Colored Y.W.C.A., Germantown, Pa.; November 30, at the Conference on Demobilization and the Responsibilities of Organized Social Agencies; December 1, at the Labor Temple, New York; December 4, at the Annual Meeting of the National League on Urban Conditions Among Negroes held at the Russell Sage Foundation, New York.

NEW BRANCHES: Since the last meeting of the Board, groups in the following cities have been authorized as branches:

Braddock, Pa. . . .	64 members
Gonzales, Texas . .	50 "
Silsbee, Texas . .	58 "
Urbana, O.	64 "

Groups in the following cities have taken steps to organize: Selma, Ala.; Pine Bluff, Ark.; Thomasville, Ga.; Camp Grant, Ill.; Jackson, Miss.; Piqua, O.; Beckley, W. Va.

Rev. Robert W. Bagnall, District Organizer of the Great Lakes District, has organized branches in the following cities: Bay City, Mich.; Youngstown, O.; Flint, Mich.; Urbana, O.; and is at present organizing in: Lansing, Mich.; Grand Rapids, Mich.; Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.; Milwaukee, Wis.

Mrs. Mary B. Talbert has made a rather extensive tour in the interest of the Association through Louisiana and Texas. Her work was greatly handicapped in the beginning by the influenza epidemic, in fact, absolutely stopped, but since the middle of November she has visited nine cities and will visit four or five others before she finishes her tour. She has held organization meetings in Gonzales, Silsbee, Alexandria, Orange and Galveston and has held membership campaigns for the New Orleans, Beaumont and Shreveport branches. It was only last spring that there was but one branch of the Association in Texas; today there are seven branches with 1,565 members.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Director of Publications and Research:

The net paid circulation of THE CRISIS for the month of November was 79,600 copies. The cash income for the month of November was $4,878.21. We have a cash reserve of $1,500; a reserve in Fourth Liberty Loan Bonds to the amount of $1,500; and a cash balance in the bank of $899.67.

In accordance with your vote, I have arranged to cooperate

with Emmett J. Scott on a History of the Negro in the Great War. The book is to be published by Harper Brothers. I have gone to France to collect data and to observe the Peace Conference. I expect to return in ninety days, or less. I have left THE CRISIS thoroughly arranged for, and Miss Fauset, Mr. Dill and Miss Allison, with Miss Ovington, in general oversight.

Report accepted and placed on file.

Report of the Anti-Lynching Committee:

Mr. Walling, Chairman of the Anti-Lynching Committee, reported for the Committee that it had held its annual meeting on December 5 at Mr. Storey's office in Boston, the minutes of which follow:

Present: Messrs. Wm. English Walling,(chairman), Moorfield Storey, Archibald H. Grimke; Miss Mary White Ovington, and John R. Shillady, secretary.

The secretary submitted a report of the work carried on in behalf of the Committee for the period from January 1, 1918, to November 30, 1918, copies of which were handed to the members present.

Upon motion, seconded and carried,, the report was accepted.

Mr. Walling moved, the motion being properly seconded, that the amount of $2,000 be determined upon as the limit of expenditures for legal purposes, unless by subsequent action of the Committee, which motion was carried.

After discussion of the proposed budget for the Committee's work for 1919, it was by unanimous consent agreed that $10,000 be the amount to be expended for such work, or as much thereof as might be necessary to carry into effect the general purposes of the Committee's anti-lynching campaign; that it be the purpose of the Committee to raise sufficient funds to keep in the treasury an annual fund of $10,000, this amount to be raised or reasonably assured each year so that at no time would there be danger of the Fund's being exhausted and no funds in sight for the work, and that the general recommendations of the secretary's report, as amended by the preceding motion, be adopted.

Upon the suggestion of Mr. Storey and upon motion seconded and carried, it was

RESOLVED, That the Committee further a national conference on lynching to take place preferably on Lincoln's Birthday (February 12, 1919); that this conference be called by a group of the most substantial and influential leaders of public opinion in all fields who can be induced to sign such a call; that steps be taken by the Committee immediately to procure the cooperation of such a group as signers to the proposed call; that governors of the states, particularly of the Southern States, be especially invited to attend the conference.

A list of names was discussed, the chief idea being to secure the cooperation of men with national reputations whose signatures to the call for a conference and whose participation in the conference itself would focus public

attention upon the subject.

There was some discussion, but without motion, regarding the advisability of printing well prepared summaries of all the available data concerning lynching which the Association possesses, especially that it might be desirable to print one pamphlet with lynching accounts, editorial comment and criticism entirely from southern sources. These two general ideas were approved by unanimous consent.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The substance of the minutes was stated to the Board by the Chairman of the Committee and the report accepted. Mr. Walling outlined for the Board the idea of the Anti-Lynching Committee in calling a national conference on lynching, which was fully approved by the Board. The matter of drawing up a list of women to be invited was referred to the Acting Chairman of the Board who agreed to submit such a list.

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Upon motion of Mr. Loud, duly seconded, it was

VOTED, That a national conference on lynching, recommended by the Anti-Lynching Committee, be held in New York on February 12, 1919.

On account of the suddenness of President Wilson's decision to go to Europe, it seemed impossible to secure a committee of twenty-five to present to President Wilson Dr. Du Bois' statement on the African Colonies, in accordance with the resolution of the November meeting. Therefore, this matter had to go by default.

A motion was offered by Dr. Bishop, seconded by Dr. Jones, that the action of the Acting Chairman in authorizing Dr. Du Bois to go to Europe and drawing $1500 for expenses, be approved.

An amendment to this motion was offered by Mr. Walling and duly seconded, that one-half of Dr. Du Bois' European expenses incurred in collecting material for a history of the Negro soldier be paid by the administrative office of the N.A.A.C.P. and one-half by the Crisis Department, the amount in the case of neither to exceed $1,000.

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The amendment and the original motion, as amended, were carried after discussion of an inquiry from members of the Board concerning the editorial management and policy of the Crisis during Dr. Du Bois' absence, and

Upon motion of Mr. Walling, seconded by Mr. Loud, it was

VOTED, That the Secretary and Field Secretary be added to the Crisis Committee as permanent members.

An invitation was read from the National Equal Rights League asking the Association to cooperate, the Board's decision being not to acknowledge the letter.

There was some discussion in regard to the meeting at Carnegie Hall on the African question. Mr. Grimke wished to remind the Board that it will not be desirable to permit a diversion of

efforts on Africa lest American questions be subordinated, his view being that the Association should more and more concentrate on the rights and wrongs of the American Negro. The Acting Chairman explained (in which Mr. Walling concurred) that the African situation was a live one in that it would give the Association considerable publicity, that it could be used as a leverage to promote the general cause, that it was not the intention of the National Office to devote an undue amount of time to the African question, and that a vigorous effort on immediate home issues would be continued.

The Secretary announced that he would be prepared to present before the next meeting an estimated budget for 1919, in some detail, and that he should like to discuss this with the Budget Committee preparatory to a report being presented at the January meeting.

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In view of Mr. Villard's absence in Europe, it was decided that Mr. Loud be added to the Budget Committee, the other members being Mr. Studin and Mrs. Kelley, and that the Secretary present the proposed 1919 budget to this committee, for their consideration and recommendation to the Board at the January meeting.

The Assistant Secretary, who returned on December 4 from a nine weeks trip in the South, investigating labor conditions and compulsory work laws, but who had devoted some attention to looking into lynching matters, reported on his efforts to induce the witness in the Brooks and Lowndes Counties lynchings, to come North. Mr. White said:

"I went to Quitman, Ga., and there interviewed George U. Spratling, the witness whose presence is necessary before the Senate Investigating Committee. Mr. Spratling was not willing to leave for the following reasons: He has five children, two of them eight months old, whose mother has died since I saw him in Quitman in July. He believes that it would not be wise to bring these children North at the present time. Spratling also has a large number of relatives living in and near Quitman and he believes that his testifying would endanger the lives of all of them. In view of the fact that eight Negroes have been lynched in Quitman since the investigation, this belief of his is apparently well founded. Further, Spratling owns two pieces of property in Quitman on one of which is a house which cost $1100, and he also conducts a small business there. It is my belief that all of these difficulties must be overcome if we are to succeed in getting him North. The matter is being handled in Quitman and he is being urged to come North by his pastor, Rev. Broadnax, and his physician, Dr. Wilson."

The Secretary proposed the following plans in regard to the conduct of business at Board meetings:

That the reports of all officers, executives and department heads be in the Secretary's hands five days before the date of the Board meeting; whereupon the Secretary will prepare and send out previous to the meeting of the Board a calendar of matters to come before the Board.

Members of the Board desiring to present new matters

for the consideration of the Board are to have such matters in the hands of the Secretary five days before the meeting of the Board. These matters will thereupon be included in the calendar. Matters not on the calendar may be considered by the Board by the unanimous consent of these present, but not otherwise.

The Secretary's proposal was adopted as the rule of the Board for meetings in the future.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Wm W. Knight.
Acting Chairman.

John R. Skillady
Secretary.

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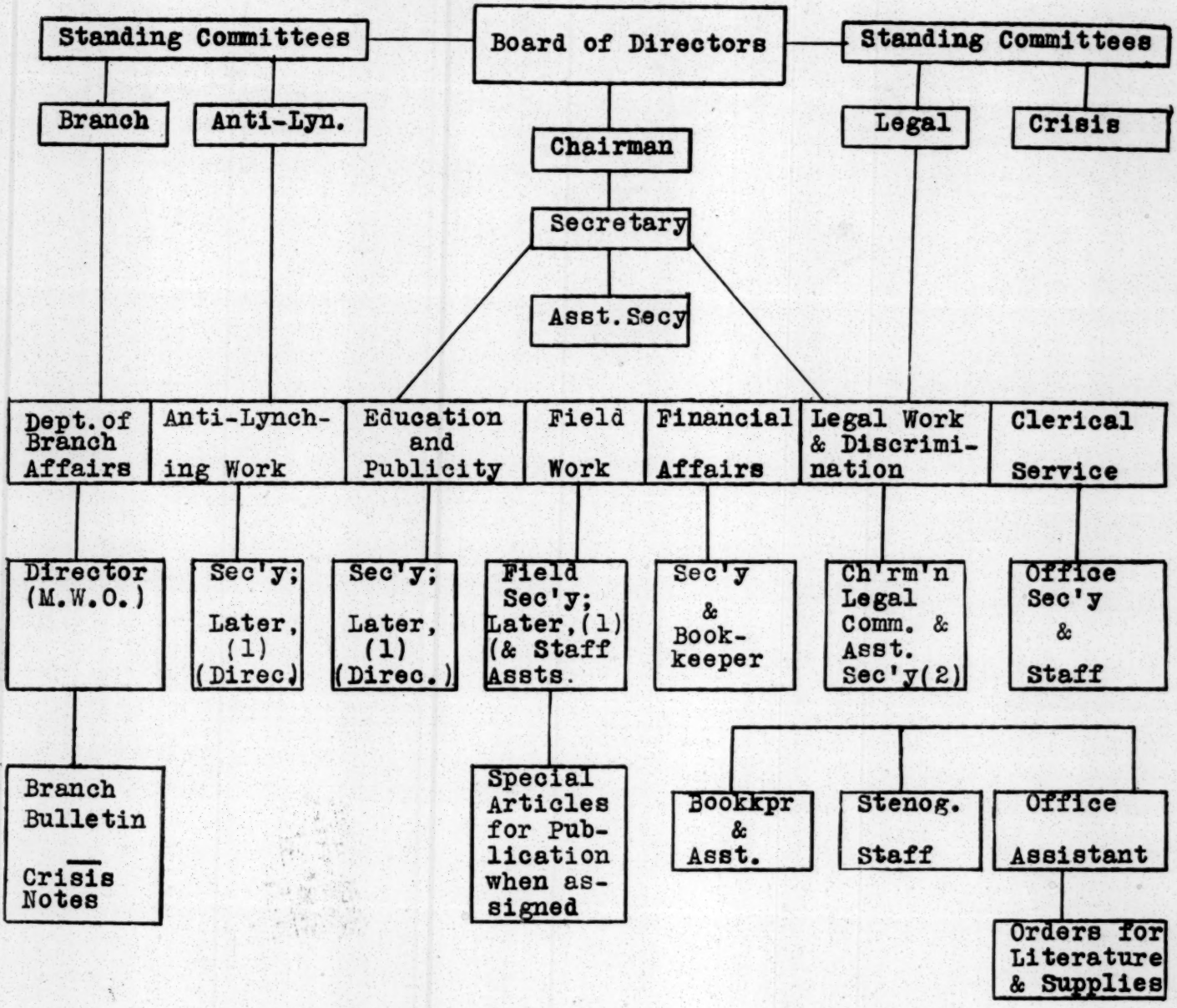
ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN - N.A.A.C.P.

Effective as soon as practical, and to be expanded for 1919, assuming that funds can be obtained.



(1) To be added to staff when funds are available and positions authorized by Board of Directors.

(2) Attorney to be added to staff when funds are available.

In the above chart functional divisions of the Association's work are shown. The main lines of work and their assignments to the staff are indicated.

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WHO'S WHO AMONG THE OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

(National Office, 70 Fifth Ave., N. Y.)

Officers

President, MOORFIELD STOREY, lawyer, Boston, Mass. Senior member of the firm of Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge. Former President, American Bar Association; former President, Massachusetts Reform Club; Vice-President, National Civil Service Reform League; former President, Bar Association of the City of Boston; former President, Massachusetts Bar Association; member, Massachusetts Historical Society; fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Author, "Life of Charles Sumner," "Ebenezer Rockwood Hoar," "Reform

of Legal Procedure," and many pamphlets on political and legal questions.

Treasurer, Oswald Garrison Villard, New York. President, New York Evening Post Company; grandson of William Lloyd Garrison, Abolitionist. author and editorial writer *New York Evening Post.*

Chairman, Board of Directors, Major Joel E. Spingarn, New York. Major, 311th United States Infantry. For twelve years attached to the staff of Columbia University; retired as Professor of Comparative Literature, 1911. Author, "A History of Literary Criticism in the Renaissance," "The New Criticism," "The New Hesperides and Other Poems," etc.

Vice-Presidents

Archibald H. Grimké, Washington, D. C. Former consul to Santo Domingo; Harvard LL.B.; President, American Negro Academy since 1903. Author, "Life of William Lloyd Garrison," "Life of Charles Sumner," and many pamphlets. Member Authors' Club, London, Eng., Authors' League

of America, American Social Science Association.

Rev. John Haynes Holmes, New York. Minister, Church of the Messiah (Unitarian); author; associate editor, *Unity*, Chicago; editorial contributor, the *Survey*, New York.

Bishop John Hurst, Baltimore, Md. Bishop, A. M. E. Church, Florida, since 1912. Supervision of mission fields in West Indies and South America.

John E. Milholland, New York. Prominent business man. President, Batcheller Pneumatic Tube Company, which company perfected the system which carried the first mail and parcels underground in New York and other cities.

Mary White Ovington, Brooklyn, N. Y. (Acting Chairman, Board of Directors during Major Spingarn's absence on military service.) Author and social worker; former headworker of settlement houses in Brooklyn; President, Lincoln Settlement (for colored people), Brooklyn; Vice-President, Civic Club of New York.

Executive and Editorial Staff

Director of Publications and Research, WILLIAM E. BURGHARDT DU BOIS, New York, Ph.D., Harvard; Editor, *The Crisis,* organ of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Editor of "Atlanta University Studies," 15 vols.; author, "Souls of Black Folk," "History of the Negro Race," and other volumes.

Secretary, JOHN R. SHILLADY, New York. Former Secretary of the following: Mayor's Committee on Unemployment, New York City; New York State Industrial Board; Buffalo Association for the Relief and Control of Tuberculosis.

Field Secretary, JAMES WELDON JOHNSON, New York. Lawyer, poet and magazine writer. Author, "Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man," "Fifty Years and Other Poems." Former United States Consul at Puerto Cabello, Venezuela, Corinto, Nicaragua and the Azores.

Dear Mr. Plimpton:

The committee of executives of the N. A. A. C. P, has spent considerable time in hunting for new quarters. We find ourselves facing difficulties:

1st We have learned of several good locations:

At 13th Street - 2 houses - $, $ down and about for repairs.

At 12th Street

Corner University Place and 12th Street - 8 story building. We have a proposition to share the ownership of this with the Cooperative Society and perhaps other organizations. This would call for $20,000 cash.

Then we have also considered a location in Harlem in the colored district. This involves a questionsof general policy which our Board must decide, viz: ought our national headquarters be in the center of the greatest Negro district of the world ~~and~~ will we thus tend to cut ourselves off from our connections with the general community and ought we not therefore to remain in the natural central of the metropolis.

In Harlem we have offered us the southeast corner of 7th avenue and 135th street at $55,000. The southwest corner of 7th avenue and 134th street at $35,000; and the former Harlem offices of the Equitable Life Insurance Company on 138th street at $45,000. There are numbers of other sites obtainable up town and down town, but in all these cases a quick decision and a cash payment of $10,000 or more is necessary.

Everything hinges, therefore, on the starting of our building fund. With a building fund started and a payment made, photographs plans etc. issued our members could be depended on in time to do the rest without difficulty.

We understand that you have kindly expressed your willingness to help raise this building fund. We write to ask, therefore, an interview with you on Tuesday or Wednesday, December 6th or 7th with a view of ascertaining as definitely as possible how much money can be raised immediately, since only with this point settled can we proceed.

We trust that you will kindly take this matter in consideration and let us talk with you soon.

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To the Board of Directors:

A matter of prime importance must be decided at the next meeting of the Board, Monday, December 12 and we urge you to be present.

For five years we have occupied 3000 square feet of desirable offices on the sixth floor of 70 Fifth Avenue at a rental of less than $1 a foot. Recently office rentals in New York have increased enormously and our space is now worth from $2 to $4 a foot. This rental we cannot afford and therefore we must move.

The following problems immediately arise.

1. Shall we rent or buy?

2. If we rent where shall we locate?

3. If we buy where shall we locate?

1. The arguments in favor of buying are that we would have difficulty in renting other desirable offices at a reasonalbe price and in a good location. If we decide to buy we have indefinite but reliable offers of some help in starting a building fund. We think that with a start of $10,000 to $20,000 the membership would take hold and complete the fund and thus we could launch a policy of headquarters ownership first for the national body and eventually for the branches.

2. If we decide to rent we probably ought if possible to stay near our present neighborhood.

3. If we decide to buy a grave and important question of future policy confronts us:

Deppite whatever we may wish or plan the Negro population of the great cities is developing Negro districts of business and residence. These districts are no longer mainly slums and - in

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Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Chicago and especially New York they are fine growing, even beautiful districts. The Harlem district of New York is for accessability, health and beauty the finest residential and business section of Manhattan island. It is growing fast and developing enormously. It is the largest Negro city in the world and tending to become a real race capitol in thought, politics and industry.

On the other hand the N.A.A.C.P. has always stood for an American program of inter racial effort and for broadening and multiplying every avenue of contact between white and black in this land. For that reason we have placed our national headquarters in the general rather than the racial center of the city and that general center is undoubtedly below $2nd street and in contact with most of the other national social agencies.

The problem is then shall we buy our future national home in Harlem or Downtown New York.

These matters our Board must decide definitely at the next meeting as we must move by March first.

We trust that in view of the importance of these matters you will make an effort to attend the December meeting of the Board.

Very sincerely yours,

_____ Committee on

_____ Negro quarters.

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Some Reasons why the Request of the Executives Should be Granted

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1. The salary of our Executives is below that of the standard of like organizations doing comparable work. They are below the standard of the Y.M.C.A. and Urban League, for instance.

2. There has been no increase in several years.

3. The extra work imposed by Mr. Johnson's absence makes impossible the finding of such time and opportunity for extra earnings in articles or lectures as in normal periods, and so at the present salary diminishes the income of our Executives.

4. The request is only for the year of Mr. Johnson's absence.

5. The granting of the request will not only cause the Executives to feel that they are receiving some compensation for the extra work necessary but will make their work more efficient, in that they will be more largely freed from economic worry.

6. As mentioned before, together with the $2400 per annum salary of the new field worker just engaged, the $1500 asked for the three Executives is yet $2100 below the amount saved the budget by the elimination of Mr. Johnson's salary for one year and so no demand for a budget increase.

7. In the last analysis, the three Executives named must raise most of the finances of the Association and any increase given them.

8. Asking a like amount for the three Executives- the Acting Secretary and the two Associate Secretaries-- the three made responsible with the Committee for the Association's work by the motion passed in the Board, continues the parity begun several years ago when all of these three were granted $4000 each as salary and is essential to the best morale of the Staff.

Robert W. Bagnall

William Pickens

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CLEVELAND, O. August 5th 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Editor of the Crisis.

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My dear Mr. DuBois:-

I know that you know of the unwarranted, uncalled for and unfair attacks being made upon you. I do not believe them, nor do the Cleveland Branch.

I have followed your writings and career for years, and I have found you to be true, and one Negro who would always champion our rights. I organized the Cleveland Branch and was its first secretary, and am now its president whose membership is about one thousand.

We have a meeting of the Branch Wednesday, August 14th and I would like to have a statement from you concerning the recent conference of editors in Washington and of the criticism directed against you

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I want to know because I wish to present your side to our members, Wednesday evening, August 14th. I am particulary anxious to learn because of the recent altercation arising between Editor Harry Smith of the Gazette and myself.

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I had occasion to be in his office last Monday week ago. He said everything but complimentary about you. Disloyalty to the race, traitor and selfishness are some of the words he used. He also said that you had slipped a "sleeper" in the resolutions or petition drawn up by you at the recent conference. When I disagreed with him he asked me out of his office.

So please send me at once all particulars all particulars relative to you and conference.

Sincerely
F. E. Young, 1256 E. 83rd.

[NAACP Cleveland Branch]

Captaincy - P. 7.

August 8, 1918.

Mr. F. H. Young,
1256 East 83 St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Young:

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You will find it best in carrying out the work of your association to spend just as little time as possible in personal altercation. The great and pressing duty is to get something done along the objects of the association. I thank you very much for your desire to defend me, but that is quite unnecessary.

The facts in the case are, however, public property. At the suggestion of Major Spingarn, Mr. Scott called a conference of editors. I was made secretary of the committee on resolutions and wrote the resolutions. They were corrected and amended by the committee then read in open session before all the editors and unanimously adopted with only one verbal correction which I accepted gladly. Mr. Harry Smith voted for the resolutions and they have appeared in print exactly as adopted by the editors.

The editorial policy of THE CRISIS has been carefully thought out and will be consistently adhered to. It marks no change from our well-known attitude but it is necessary in the time of war to be careful of one's utterances.

THE CRISIS will never say anything that it does not earnestly believe; but there are a great many things which it does believe which it cannot say just now.

The editorial, "Close Ranks," was written June 6 and was in print June 10. It was not until June 15 that the tentative offer of the captaincy was made to me in a bureau of special work among colored people which might be established by the General Staff. No such bureau has been established and at the present time the plan of establishing such a bureau is in abeyance. If it could have been established, it would have been a splendid thing for the Negro race.

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Meantime, while the matter of establishing such a bureau was being discussed by the war officials I told them that I would be glad to accept the commission if I could keep general control of THE CRISIS and if my salary was not reduced. That is, the captain's salary was one thousand dollars less than my present salary, and I asked to have the captain's salary supplemented from THE CRISIS funds. This was assented to by the Government officials and also by President Storey, of our board, the chairman and acting chairman of the board, and by such members as Charles Nagel, Bishop Hurst, Dr. H. C. Bishop, Dr. Bentley, Dr. Waller and several others.

When, however, the July meeting of the board took place doubt was expressed as to the feasibility of my accepting the commission and still controlling THE CRISIS. In case, then, the commission had been offered, it would have been necessary for me to choose between the two, and naturally, I should have had to take the commission as the call of the country at this time is paramount upon each citizen.

I trust these facts are what you wish.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

(NAACP-DENVER)

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PRESIDENT

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[NAACP - DENVER BRANCH]

March 8, 1918.

Mr. George W. Cross,
2234 Ogden Street,
Denver, Colorado.

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My dear Mr. Cross:

Let me thank the Denver branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People for its encouraging words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA.

New Buildings and Grounds Needed by the Colored Public Schools.

I. Items contained in current estimates of the Board of Commissioners:

SCHOOLS.	SPECIFICATIONS.	
Burrville	Annex	$ 12,600
Smothers	To replace building	52,500
Syphax	Addition	94,500

II. Items contained only in current estimates of the Board of Education:

SCHOOLS.	SPECIFICATIONS.	
Armstrong Manual Training	To enlarge site	$ 19,000
Bannecker	To enlarge site	20,500
Birney	To enlarge site	2,100
Bruce	To enlarge site	13,500
Deanwood	To enlarge site	4,000
Douglass-Simmons	To enlarge site	9,000
Dunbar High	To enlarge site	99,750
Logan	To enlarge site	35,000
M Street	To remodel	157,500
Miner Normal	To complete approaches	21,000
Payne	To enlarge site	7,000
Slater-Langston	To enlarge site	4,500
Stevens	To enlarge site	31,000

III. Additional items submitted by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (Washington, D. C., Branch).

SCHOOLS.	SPECIFICATIONS.	
Armstrong Manual Training	To erection of annex (on additional ground purchase of which Board of Education requests)	$250,000
Cardozo Manual Training	To erection of 8-room annex	99,375
Chain Bridge Road	To replace present structure by erection of 2-room extensible building	26,250
Cook (John F.)	To erection of 8-room annex, including assembly hall and gymnasium	99,750
Dunbar High	To erection of stadium (on ground recommended for purchase by Board of Education)	100,000
Eleventh Division	To purchase of site and erection thereon of a manual arts center	125,750
Fort Slocum	To replacement of present structure and portable by erection of 4-room building	52,500
Garnet-Patterson	To enlargement of site and erection thereon of 8-room extensible annex	127,250
O Street Manual Training	To erection of 8-room extensible annex	99,750
Tenth Division	To purchase of site and erection thereon of a manual arts center	125,750

[January 25, 1918]

File Education

Memorandum submitted on behalf of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People by Archibald H. Grimke, President of the Washington D. C. Branch, *in re* Equitable Provision for the Buildings and Grounds of the Colored Public Schools of the Capital of the Nation in the Appropriation Bill for 1919.

THE current Estimates for the District of Columbia, as submitted by the Board of Commissioners, do the schools of the colored community a gross injustice.

Specifically, the Commissioners ask Congress to give the colored community 10% of the aggregate appropriation for Buildings and Grounds instead of 30%, the proportion to which that community is entitled.

The situation is the more serious because last year the Appropriation Act for 1918 gave the colored schools Buildings and Grounds only in the sum of $100,000, which was less than 14% of the aggregate appropriation under the caption, or less than half the just proportion.

Moreover, the item of Buildings and Grounds is fundamental. It is vital to the welfare of future genarations of school children.

Now, the last census (1910) gave the population of the District of Columbia as 331,069. If we exclude the Indian and Asiatic elements, the population was 330,574 of which Americans of African descent comprised 29%. Since 1910 this population has grown appreciably. But, there is no reason to believe that the proportion of Negroes is less. Indeed, it is probably more.

Thus, 32% of the total men of draft age registered in the District of Columbia up to date are Negro. And of the men actually sent to camp the Negro percentage is 41.

But, the basis for estimating the public school population for 1918-19 is, of course, the actual enrolment for the last school year, 1916-17. And the just published report of the Board of Education shows that in 1916-17, 31% of the total enrolment of pupils was colored. So, it is more than fair to conclude that in 1918-19 not less than 30% of the total enrolment will be colored. On this ratio, estimates for buildings and grounds should be based.

Nevertheless, the Estimates submitted by the Board of Education itself assign to the colored schools less than 24% of the nearly 2½ millions requested. And the Estimates, as revised by the Board of Commissioners, assign to these schools only 10% out of a total of over 1½ millions. Indeed, the President of the Board of Commissioners says frankly: "The Commissioners in making up the Estimates, did not attempt to proportion the amount of money requested or the projects recommended on the basis of the ratio of colored population to white population in the District of Columbia." (Letter from Hon. Louis Brownlow to Archibald H. Grimke under date of January 5, 1918).

Now, most emphatically, the colored public schools (which in fact compare unfavorably as a whole with the white in respect of buildings and grounds) are entitled to not less than 30% of the aggregate submitted under this caption. In other words, it was the duty of the Board of Education to assign (out of a total estimate of $2,538,441) not $583,450 but $732,195 to the colored schools. And it was the duty of the Board of Commissioners to assign (out of a total estimate of $1,595,583) not $159,600 but $438,717.

The more clearly to illustrate the injustice involved, let me cite only three items. Each of these was contained in the Estimates formulated by the Board of Education. And each was eliminated by the Commissioners:

(1) $99,750 for land adjoining Dunbar High School.

If an athletic field and stadium is vital to the physical development and moral discipline of the white students of Central High School, are not similar facilities essential to the total efficiency of Dunbar?

(2) $21,000 for completing the approaches to Miner Normal School.

In 1916-17 the white normal school enrolled 172 pupils and the colored 160 or 48%. The white normal school building was completed long ago. Why should the Miner Building go unfinished?

(3) $157,500 for remodeling the old M Street High School for vocational training.

In 1916-17 there were 146 white pupils in the vocational schools and 310 colored or 68%. And who in the North or in the South questions the fundamental importance of industrial training to colored youth? Yet the Board of Commissioners ask of Congress $105,000 for a new trade school for white students and not one penny for the vocational training of colored students.

I say that profound injury will be done to the development of the colored community unless Congress insists that the fair and square thing be done for the colored schools in this fundamental item of buildings and grounds. The rights and welfare not only of the present generation of school children are at stake, but the rights and welfare of future generations.

This Nation is today involved in the great world war; it is aiming to help make the world safe for democracy. This is the spirit in which the Chief Executive of the Nation has spoken to all the peoples of the earth in impassioned and historic language again and again.

Does it accord with this spirit for the Capital of the Nation to do its colored community one whit less than justice in any vital matter? Popular education is surely the *sine qua non* of democracy. And when a people gives freely of its sons to battle for the Nation [illegible] shall the nation make a niggardly and unjust provision for the education and training of that people's children?

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIBALD H. GRIMKE, President,

District of Columbia Branch of the National Association for the Advancementof Colored People.

January 25, 1918.

WHAT WILL THE NEGRO GET OUT OF THE WAR?

Statement Adopted at Meeting of District of Columbia Branch, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, December 11, 1918

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In celebrating the one hundred and thirteenth anniversary of the birth of William Lloyd Garrison, we express a deep and lasting sense of gratitude for a life consecrated to the freedom of a race and to the progress of mankind. It is especially appropriate that the things which he cherished and achieved should be recalled at the close of a war into which the United States entered for the declared purpose of making "the world safe for Democracy." It is true that no civilized nation practices that particular form of slavery based upon the property of man in man; but the declaration upon which the United States entered the world war is an implied admission that all peoples are not yet free, that injustice, inequality and oppression still subsist in forms of government, and in customs and practices of peoples. Therefore, we set forth the following statement for the consideration of all people having the same allegiance as we do.

As the result of the life and labors of William Lloyd Garrison our nation has incorporated into its Constitution "the supreme law of the land," these principles of the Declaration of Independence: that all men are created equal; that governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed, and that the right of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness is inherent in all human beings.

As human beings having these rights by nature, and also by legal sanction, the Colored People of the United States, although loyal to the government without variableness or shadow of turning, suffer wrong in no less than four fundamental particulars: they are not accorded the equal protection of the law, in that it has become a practice almost deepened into custom to permit mobs to torture and kill them; in a part of the nation where they most largely reside, they do not receive equal educational advantages with other citizens out of the funds raised by taxation of all the people; they are in the same part of the country, deprived of the ballot, the means whereby the citizen indicates that he consents to be governed; and they are denied the comforts and conviences of public travel, entertainment and refreshment at hotels and inns, and recreation at places of public amusement. The denial of rights in these basic particulars is absolutely inconsistent with any proper conception of Democracy, and a violation of legal status, and are grounds for complaint and remonstrance.

At this time, and on this anniversary occasion, we seek redress of these grievances and correction of these wrongs.

And we do especially protest against a practice, existing in some of the Departments of the Federal Government, of segregating employees on account of race, and of denying appointments to persons selected from the Civil Service Eligible Lists, on the same account. Segregation, whether in travel or in working relations is equally unjust with residential segregation, which the Supreme Court of the United States has recently declared to be unlawful.

We call attention to these things, not only because they are unjust and oppressive to us as a group, but because as long as they exist, they will be a reproach to our Nation, and to its professions of free and democratic ideals.

To those who will look with disfavor upon assertion of right by Colored People, we would say that contention and experience teach that no people who have attained to any stature of self-respect can be content with a social order and system which in practice denies them any opportunity open to other groups, to be As long as unequal conditions exist, there will be protest and remonstrance. It can not be expected its equ otherwise, for no group can be rated as intelligently loyal, that is not at the same ti conscious l citizenship rights.

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EDITOR OF CRISIS 70 5 AVE NEWYORK NY

MR DUBOIS THE MEMPHIS BRANCH N A A C P AFTER LEARNING OF THE OFFER TO YOU AS CAPTAIN IN THE DEPT OF INTELLIGENCE AND YOUR PERHAPS RESIGNATION AS EDITOR OF THE CRISIS BEG TO ASK THAT YOU REFUSE THE APPOINTMENT TENDERED YOU AND REQUEST THAT YOU REMAIN IN FUTURE AS YOU HAVE IN THE PAST THE EDITOR OF THE CRISIS AND THE CHAMPION OF THE RIGHT OF ALL CITISENS

W H BENTLEY SEC 105 POPLAR ST.

[NAACP- MEMPHIS BRANCH]

August 12, 1918.

Mr. W. H. Bentley,
105 Poplar Street,
Memphis, Tenn.

2/13/56

My dear Sir:

I appreciate the telegram of the Memphis branch and the sentiment expressed therein. There is, at present, no question of my going into the army or of resigning the editorship of THE CRISIS; but in case the question should come I should like to ask the Memphis branch if they are prepared to advise colored men of prominence in this crisis to refuse to serve the United States Government when the United States calls them? This seems to me to be an extremely dangerous and unwise stand.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

[NAACP - Pittsburgh Branch]

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Pittsburgh, Penna.,
Feb. 16, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBoise,
#70 Fifth Ave.,
New York City, N. Y.
Dear Doctor DuBoise:-

The Pittsburgh Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. beg to extend its greetings, and to offer, warmest congratulations upon the celebration of your fiftieth birthday anniversary.

We pray for your continued health and happiness and that God may long spare you in your very great field of usefulness.

Wm. Randolph Pres.
E. E. Willis Secy.
Pro-tem.

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[NAACP - PITTSBURGH BRANCH]

February 25, 1918.

Mr. William Randolph,
N. A. A. C. P.,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Mr. Randolph:

May I thank you and through you the Pittsburgh branch for your very kind greetings and congratulations on my birthday?

Very sincerely yours,

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DR W E B DUBOIS

70 5 AVE NEWYORK NY

PLEASE ACCEPT MY CONGRATULATIONS AND THAT OF BABY BRANCH JUST ORGANIZED WITH MORE THAN FIFTY MEMBERS WHICH WE HEREBY SEND TO YOU AS A PRESENT ON THIS YOUR FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY APPLICATION FOR CHARTER IS HEREBY MADE OFFICIAL APPLICATION IN A FE-W DAYS

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W E B DUBOIS

0421 70 FIFTH AVE NEWYORK

ON THIS YOUR FIFTIETH BIRTHDAY THE STLOUIS BRANCH OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE EXTEND TO YOU ITS HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES FOR LONG CONTINUED SERVICE

W E B DUBOIS PITMAN.

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March 8, 1918.

Mr. Charles A. Pitman,
3137 Pine Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

My dear Mr. Pitman:

I thank the St. Louis branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People for its good wishes on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GHB.

[NAACP - SEATTLE BRANCH]

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Pre., W.E.B.Dubois

New York.

50 yrs

Dear Sir:

In behalf of The Seattle Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. I am sending you many congratulations for having successfully reached the half century mark. Your service to the colored race will ever live . I hope you will live fifty more years after which I hope to be able to send many more hapy returns.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs W. L. Presto

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February 28, 1918.

Mrs. W. L. Presto.
1818 Thirtieth Avenue,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Madam:

I thank the Seattle branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People for its very kind words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

EDITORIAL ROOMS OF

THE CRISIS

70 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

W. E. BURGHARDT DU BOIS

February 27, 1918.

Miss Alice Davis:

1314 W.

[NAACP-TORONTO BRANCH]

50 yrs

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Toronto, February 22nd., 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

Editor, "The Crisis",

NEW YORK CITY.

Dear Sir:-

Accept the sincere congratulations of the Toronto Branch of the N. A. A.C. P.on this the attainment of your fiftieth birthday.

May many years of continued service be yours to further the cause of our Race.

May naught but Life's richest blessings be apportioned you and your desires for the betterment and recognition of the Negro fulfilled.

May we,the readers of your organ, be inspired and encouraged by your noble work and prepare to receive and merit the true freedom that will some day be ours.

The Toronto Branch
N. A. A. C. P.

C. Deas

Secretary.

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February 28, 1918.

Miss Clara Deas,
103 Chestnut Street,
Toronto, Canada.

Dear Madam:

I thank the Toronto branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People for its encouraging words in your letter of February 22.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Washington C. H., Ohio March 7th. 1918

Dr. W.E. DuBois, Editor "THE CRISIS"

New York City.

2/24/18

Dear sir: I am sending herein check for renewal of my subscription for the Crisis, and names and addresses of persons who might become subscribers. I am sending also my phote and clipping, with personal reference that I would be pleased to appear in one of your current issues if agreeable.
Iread with much interest "THE SHADOWS OF YEARS" in the Feb. issue and think it a master piece. I offer congratulation upon the wonderful growth of the the Crisis under your leadership, and hope the "SHADOWS" will ever lengthen over you that you may continue your God sent mission.

Very Respectfully,

John F. Oatney

$2.00

March 15, 1918.

Mr. John F. Oatneal,
Washington, C. H., Ohio.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words of March 7.

Very sincerely yours,

WBBD/GRB.

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I wish you joy on your birthday,
A joy that shall grow with the years,
And abide with you always.

Dr & Mrs M. L. Ogan

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February 27, 1918.

Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Ogan,
513 West 144 Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Ogan:

I appreciate very much your kind greeting on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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Cape Girardeau, Mo.
Feb. 22nd '18.

Dear Sir:-

I have always considered you, America's most outstanding figure in the alleviation of all that isn't in keeping with your doctrine of magnanimity. You have been faithful in that what is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own.

Very truly yours,
Nellie Oliver.

March 8, 1918.

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Mr. Arthur Oliver,
Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind words of February 22.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

1841 [illegible] Ave., The Bronx, Feb. 17. 1918

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My dear comrade Du Bois:

So you wish your friends to write to you about your coming 50th birthday! There are many things one might say on this occasion. One might congratulate you on your success after a long and hard struggle. One might admire your great gifts and your unbending backbone. One might sympathize with you and your efforts to counteract misunderstanding and deliberate misinterpretation.

As for me, I rejoice in seeing you follow the hard and rocky uphill road not minding those that try to impede your advance. I rejoice that your work has raised enemies. That is the visible proof of success. Any man in public life whose work does not make enemies is necessarily a wobbler and a trimmer. I hold with the sturdy George von Frundsberg, the Landsknecht: "Viel Feind, viel Ehr!" Or with the German poet, G. A. Bürger:

"Wenn dich die Lästerzunge sticht
So laß dir dies zum Trost sagen:
Es sind die schlechtesten Früchte nicht
Woran die Wespen nagen!"

When you reach my time of life and the shadows of the evening are falling across your path, a great feeling of peace and contentment will arise from the consciousness that you have endeavored to do what seemed right and good according to the dictates of your own heart.

"Is there anything better, anything better?"

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February 21, 1918.

Mr. Moses Oppenheimer,
1841 Marmion Avenue,
Bronx, New York City.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very cordially for your kind and encouraging words on my fiftieth birthday.

With best regards to you and Mrs. Oppenheimer,

Very sincerely yours,

WEED/GRB.

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Phyllis Wheatley Waters, who graduated from the University of Michigan '17 with highest honors, has been appointed to teach French at Howard University.

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THE ORIZABA ABAZIRO

No. 6. AT SEA, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1918.

Edited by Dr. P. G. Skillern, Jr., Room 37, B deck. Send your contributions to the Editor.

CORRESPONDENTS ARE ORGANIZED

At the meeting called Saturday afternoon at three o'clock of all the correspondents and photo men aboard by Chairman Swope, on the written request signed by forty members of the party, a permanent organization was formed under the name mentioned in the George Creel letter of credentials, UNITED STATES PRESS DELEGATION TO THE PEACE CONFERENCE OF 1918. On motion of Capt. Bloomer, who, with Ed. M. Hood of the A. P. outlined the plan of organization, Herbert B. Swope of the "New York World" was unanimously elected President; and George Creel, Honorary President. The other officers elected were as follows: Lawrence Hills, of "The New York Sun," 1st Vice-President; Ed. M. Hood, of the A. P., 2nd Vice-President; Hulbert Taft of "The Cincinnati Times Star," 3rd Vice-President: Millard J. Bloomer of the "Co-operative Newspaper Syndicate Service," Recording and Corresponding Secretary; J. Fred Essary of "The Baltimore Sun," Executive Secretary; and Leslie Gordon Niblack, of "The Kansas-Oklahoma Press Syndicate" and "The Guthrie Leader," Treasurer. A Board of Directors was elected to include the officers and Messrs. David Lawrence, of "The New York Evening Post;" Ed. Wolf of the "Ohio State Journal;" R. A. Walsh, of the "St. Louis Times;" Dan Bidwell, of the "Hartford Courant;" Geo. Harris, of Harris & Ewing, Washington; and Georges Lechartier, American correspondent of "Le Petit Parisien," Paris.

An emergency committee was also elected including Ramon de France of "La Prensa," Buenos Ayres; Arthur D. Call, Sec'y American Peace Society & Editor of the "Advocate of Peace;" D.D. Bidwell, of the "Hartford Courant" and G. Lechartier, of "Le Petit Parisien.

Millard J. Bloomer

After a long and "spirited" debate among the passengers in a meeting yesterday afternoon the 'drys' won.

FROM A BUSY "B" AT "C"

Among those with us, in Cabin No. 2, is Captain Robert Gerard, of the French Army. Captain Gerard was injured in the first battle of the Marne, and this is sufficient to let everyone on board know that he is a regular fellow.

A scribe has suggested that the engineer be permitted to dump all superfluous oil upon the troubled water so that the President's ship, two and one-half days behind, may slide along a little easier.

The ship's daily paper was in bad favor Friday night when its face page form became pie on the printer's deck. A stray submarine whose skipper didn't know the war was over, bowled a whale of a wave against the starboard side of the Orizaba, and the sudden impact rudely shook the type onto the deck.

Arthur M. Evans, of the Chicago Tribune, rises to say that the following was a rollicky air, sung by hairy-chested men of the upper Michigan peninsula, along toward Yuletide:

"The melancholy days have come,
"The saddest of the year,
"When its too (hic) hot for whisky
"And too (hic) cold for beer."

BLOOMERLETS

A man who can ride in a chair aboard the Orizaba in a "smooth" sea is qualified to ride a broncho bareback across Arizona.

A first class shave aboard the ship costs $1.00. The next nine shaves cost nothing. Can you figure it out? Regular customers can. The barbers are O. K.

All the correspondents were "thrown together" last night during the lecture by a Russian, thanks to the high "C."

The printing office force which consists of E. O. Sundeen, Chief Printer, C. L. Finch, 2nd class printer, and A. S. Widstrand, are still on the job, as you see.

SHIPS NEWS UP TO DATE

When it comes to technical proof-reading, Dr. P. G. Skillern Jr. is no mean master at the job. The popular New York surgeon has written and published many booklets on surgery. He has earned an enviable position in his profession.

Hebert Bayard Swope, of the World (N. Y.) gave a very interesting talk last evening on his experiences with the german armies and on the Russian situation.

Ralph Pulitzer, of the New York World and St. Louis Post-Dispatch, busied himself in the journey in "boning up" on international law, so that he can more easily disagree with the conclusions of the Peace Conference.

Millard J. Bloomer, of the Co-operative Newspaper Syndicate Service of New York, has secured control of the "Orizaba Abaziro," having outbid Clinton T. Brainard, owner of the McClure Syndicate.

If you want to become well posted on the march of current events, interview Mr. Louis Seibold, of the New York World.

The many friends of Mr. Oliver O. Kuhn, the well-known correspondent of the Washington Star, will be glad to learn that he has recovered from his recent indisposition.

Charles Monroe Lincoln, of Bath, Maine, Montclair, N. J. and Park Row, New York, is one of the old salts among the newspaper men, with whom he enjoys much popularity.

Mr. Abraham Cahan, editor of the Jewish Daily Forward, gave a very interesting talk Friday evening on "The European vs. the American Press."

James J. Montague, of the New York American, has been very active in contributing quips and jests to the "Abaziro."

The crew of the Orizaba extend their sincere thanks to Mr. S. S. McClure for the very interesting and instructive talks given them on the voyage.

Lens Louse, one who faces the camera unbidden.—Webster.

U. S. S. ORIZABA

(Special Transport for the Press, in advance of convoy, with President Wilson's party enroute to France.)

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SHIP NOTES

This is Col. McClure's 108th ocean voyage—and the veteran publisher is able to go some yet.

C. T. Brainard, besides representing Harper Bros.—of which concern he is Treasurer—controls and represents the McClure Newspaper Syndicate, the Wheeler Newspaper Syndicate and the Washington Herald.

J. Fred Essary, the omniscent Washington representative of the "Baltimore Sun-paper," challenges all comers to a competitive exhibition of skill in ignition. Thursday night in the salon he established the record for the Eastern passage by successfully lighting two cigars, three cigarettes and one very strong and refractory Lady Nicotine pipe, with one second class match (made in Japan).

In order to save white paper it has been suggested that future reference to two of the denizens of Cabin No. 3 may be accomplished in this manner "Messrs. J. J. Montague-Glass."

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2446 N. Charles 5 Street
Baltimore Md.
Feb. 22, 1918

FEB 25 1918

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
26 Jones Falls

As I am a reader of that grand little Magazine Called, (The Crisis) I am glad to be permitted to congratulate its Editor Dr. W. E. B. Dubois, on his fiftieth birth-day. trusting not only to be a reader, but to become a Subscriber in the near future.

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With Sincere good
wishes.

Mary A. Osborn,

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March 7, 1918.

Miss Mary A. Osborn,
2440 N. Charles Street,
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Madam:

I thank you for your kind words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEED/GRB.

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HEADQUARTERS NINETY-SECOND DIVISION

CAMP FUNSTON, KANSAS

Headquarters Troop, Hq. 92nd Div.
Camp Funston, Kansas.
Feb. 13th, 1918.

Dr. W.E.B. Du Boise, Editor
70 5th Ave. N.Y.C.

Dear Sir :-

I have been informed that qualified colored men may enter the Aviation Section of the Signal Cps. By virtue of my previous experience in aviation and technical education I am endeavoring to enter said branch. At present I am on duty at Division Hq. Camp Funston, having been selected from the 367th Infantry and transferred from Camp Upton, L.I.N.Y.

You may recall the "Wright type biplane" constructed by me and exhibited at the "Emancipation Exposition" in 1913, and possibly may have heard of my success in Radio Telegraphy. A letter from you will aid me greatly in entering this service; one that has not been opened for the Negro before. It is required that verification of my previous must be presented and I can do no better than ask those who have seen my work.

Thanking you for past kindnesses and trusting that I may receive a fav orable reply, I am

Very respectfully yours,

Reginald W. Overton.

Sergeant, Q.M.C.

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SUMMER SEASON
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UNADILLA, N. Y.
EARLY JUNE TO OCTOBER

PINE TREE INN, LAKEHURST, N. J.
THE INN IN THE PINES
ALBERT A. LEROY, PROPRIETOR
FIRST WEEK IN OCTOBER TO MIDDLE OF MAY

SUMMER SEASON
MONOMONOCK INN
CALDWELL, N. J.
LATE MAY TO MIDDLE OCTOBER

March 4, 1918

My dear Dr. Du Bois,

Perhaps you are keeping your birthday letters. If so, here is one that belongs with them.

It was you who made the party a success. We did very little for everyone, about, wanted to come. Ray Stannard Baker would have been there if he had not sailed that day for Europe. I should have had his letter, too, but I fear I tore it up.

Yours,

Hy W. Dreyer.

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Am asked to speak at Vassar
March eleventh. Good Thursday
unfortunately than Board Meeting

February 26, 1918.

Miss Mary W. Ovington,
246 Fulton Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Miss Ovington:

The dinner was simply splendid. I have you to thank, I am sure for its thoughtful carrying out. This is a case where words will fail to express all that I feel, but I am sure that you can supply some of the deficiency.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

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(COVINGTON)

The Shirley
DENVER
COLO.

JUL 11 1918

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July 7

Dear Dr. D[u] Bois,

I enclose some clippings to show how the colored troups are breaking into the front pages. Is it Taylor who sends the dispatches? I meant to remember the name of the signer of the despatch decribing the troops that loaded thier machine guns under the most stupendous fire. The Peoria paper on the frbnt pane had a big headline. "Colored Yankees" etc.

Your editorial roars like a nightingale, it really is like a nightingale for it has on it much of beauty. It must be comforting if you can really believe what you write, though I confess I find it almost impossible to think that you do.

I was at Camp Dodge Fourth of July and spoke to the soldiers. These men are from Tennessee and the Y.M.C.A. men say much more intelligent than the first Alabama men. If so, what must the others have been! When you see the Y.M.C.A. secretaries, unusually charming, able, young colored men, and then look at the men in the ranks,

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you see how tragilcaly the south has neglected her colored children. It isn't that there isn't ability but it is all latent, and it is pretty late to bring it out.

I've enjoyed my little western trip very much, and have been treated royally.

Yours,

W.E.B.

Tuskegee Inst. Ala.
Feb 23/1918

Dear Du Bois;

I send you my congratulations on having reached your half century and my wish that you may long be spared to us but that you may continue in the future as in the past to express boldly your ideas in classic english. You will find enclosed my subscription for the crisis. With best wishes, I am,

your friend
Emmett Scott

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Back to Dr Du B

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March 13, 1918.

Mr. P. Howard Owens,
Tuskegee Institute,
Tuskegee, Alabama.

My dear Mr. Owens:

I thank you for your good wishes and for the subscription.

With best regards,

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY-TREASURER

STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
(INCORPORATED BY THE STATE OF GEORGIA)

HOME OFFICE: ATLANTA, GEORGIA
200 AUBURN AVENUE

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February 27, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Editor of the Crisis,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. DuBois:

I am writing to ask if you will give me such information as you may possess, or make such suggestion as you might make concerning a "co-operative store" movement. I am endeavoring to work out a plan of a co-operative store for the employees of the Standard Life Insurance Company. We have at this time in the Home Office about thirty four employees and we are constantly adding more. Sometime ago I saw an editorial in the Crisis along this line, and I have been thinking, although our number is small, that we might effect a beginning, which I believe would grow into a very substantial enterprise. The subject is entirely new to me, I have no previously conceived notion or idea regarding it, and any information you might give or any suggestion which you could make, would be gratefully received and appreciated, and would help to get the enterprise launched along the right lines.

Among the questions I would like to have an opinion from you is, the one of capitalization and just how the contributions to capitalize are usually made in cases of this kind. We can easily finance the enterprise and could get it started as the Company would undertake to do this itself, however, it would not like to keep a permanent investment in such an enterprise, but rather to allow the people who are directly to receive the benefits to contribute to the capital themselves and refund to the Company whatever it might make to put the matter on foot.

I would like also to ask if it would be desirable to sell to outsiders as well as to the folks who are actually owning and operating the place. We would plan to have the store run in connection with our regular Home Office work, renting a room or rooms adjoining our present place and to put the operation of it as largely in the hands of the employees as we could, while we would retain only a supervis-

ing interest in the actual management of same.

I realize that you are very busy, but I am sure that any advise or information that you might give along this line, to help establish this store, will do a very great deal of good.

Very truly yours,

Harry H Pace

Secretary-Treasurer.

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March 6, 1918.

Mr. Harry H. Pace,
200 Auburn Avenue,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Mr. Pace:

I am very glad indeed to know that you are interested in the cooperative movement. It is extremely necessary for us to first get the proper public opinion and understanding among the Negroes before we start. It is for this reason I am going to hold a conference on cooperation this summer. I would be glad to have you suggest a time and place for the same. What do you think of Atlantic City just before or just after the business league, or perhaps a more quiet place? Let me have your advice.

Answering your specific questions: The company must raise its stock as nearly as possible among its patrons and in approximate equal amounts from each. The store must be where the patrons can use it, and it must be a matter of honor among them to use it for every single thing that they can even in spite of temporary and incidental disadvantage.

They must pay current market prices and then the profits of the business should be divided among the stock holders. It is well to have a part withheld for propaganda and social uplift. There are laws in every state concerning cooperative enterprises. These must be carefully studied. Outsiders may buy but do not share in the profits. There should be one price to all. Sell stock to anybody who is willing to buy it and make the price small, five, ten, or twenty-five dollars.

If there are any more questions kindly let me know.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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PERSONAL

April 11, 1918.

Mr. Harry H. Pace,
200 Auburn Avenue,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Mr. Pace:

I am going to have literature such as you suggest on cooperation printed. I do not, however, want the movement to go off at half-cock. That is, I don't want individual efforts made throughout the country, many of which are bound to fail and leave a bad impression.

So far as possible, I want to begin an organized thorough movement so that some central organization can boost the weaker attempts here and there. This movement can be made the biggest financial effort in America among colored people if we go at it in the right way. It can easily be combined with industrial insurance, life insurance, organized employment agencies, and possibly a super-secret order movement covering the whole of the darker world.

For this reason I should rather that you would not discuss the matter widely or take any definite steps

until we can have a thorough conference. I am already seeking to make tentative arrangements for such a conference.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRE.

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August 6, 1918.

Mr. Harry H. Pace,
200 Auburn Avenue,
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Mr. Pace:

Your suggestion is very good. I have written the enclosed letter to the Secretary of the Treasury.

I am calling a meeting of those interested in cooperation at my office, August 26 and 27. Can you come and bring some others? Kindly let me know.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

October 7, 1918.

Mr. H. H. Pace
200 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Mr. Pace :

Enclosed is a letter which I am sending out to the Co-Operative Secretaries and some literature. What can you do to support things in Georgia? I am writing to Lemon.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CM.

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1806 - 9th St N. W.

Washington D.C. Feb 21, '18.

Dear Mr Du Bois

The notice of your fiftieth birthday along with the wish that you might hear from your friends prompts me to hope that you may live to enjoy as many years as you care to use and a few added to that in which your friends may need to tell you how much you have done for present and future generations.

It perhaps would surprise you to know of the high esteem in which you are held, and I leave it for a writer more clever to tell you of your influence over both friends and admirers in the most popular of all tasks — that of fighting down prejudice.

I wonder if you could enjoy a few moments of seeing with me the impression made on the school at the time of your coming to Atlanta - Twenty years ago - really it cannot be possible.

The rumor that Atlanta University would have a new teacher "a colored teacher" aroused both a lively and perhaps a resentful interest on the part of the students. Many of us having come from dear old Storrs School and its Yankee teachers objected to the idea of a teacher who in all likelihood would be no better prepared than those we had known taking charge of our "Higher Education". We were not informed, and too much children to know of your record and worth but we

had a relief of mind when we heard you were a Harvard man. Probably it was with a keen sense of understanding our opposition that brought Grand Prof. Webster a talk about the advantage and opportunity given us in being privileged to come under your instruction.

You came a silent unsociable kind of man - but with you such a dainty bride who made warm friends among us when she came to the first school reception.

I recall that you were asked to say a word of greeting on your first morning in the Assembly Room to the students - Dr. Bumstead had just finished a complimentary introduction and a kindly welcome and we were shocked that you said very promptly "No" and kept your seat while

saying it. We were disappointed.

In our first visit to your classroom we knew you knew your subject - and more than that, knew how to discipline and knew how to teach - we also knew you wrote with your left hand, wrote rapidly - and a rather difficult hand to read.

We "talked you over" and decided if lessons were to be slighted it would not be the subject of Civil Government. The term passed and our star pupil Lizzie Coleman failed while some of the lesser stars began to shine a little bit brighter - I came with much pride into this second class.

Then there was your first baby - our baby, how pretty we thought him.

How we were drawn to you through interest in his growth and through sympathy when he died. We hoped those closest to you would tell how sorry we were, but we would have suffered a panic of embarrassement to have put our feelings into words.

Then you took him North, I recall the discussion that followed your election first of a "white" undertaker and then that you could not feel at home among your adopted friends. It seems to me I had no part in the things I heard and I have listened so long and am still listening to the

Taylor Page.

opinions of others.

You were growing in importance among us as a community and all that you did then interested us and all that you do now still interests.

You honored my first evening at home to the grownups and I have always felt proud of that one evening - then after my graduation you remembered there were months when I was unemployed and in the Paris exposition work you found use for my services

It was about this time that I realized you were young - you played tennis and in such a way that those looking from South

Hall windows saw nothing of that formal dignity we knew in books.

Then I saw you at Mrs. Ida Bailey's in Washington and the freedom of spirit and freedom from responsibility gave a personal glimpse of you which is among the most treasured recollections.

What faith in your teachings, what faith in your learning and what faith in you as a high type of man! It is a wonderful opportunity to be Mrs. DuBois and you have an equally wonderful responsibility to speak to the world the thoughts and feelings of a people who are unable to speak for themselves because they are still

young - because they have not the powers of thinking clearly nor the power of expression even after the thought is clear - They are just beginning to find themselves and you are showing the way -

Dr. Du Bois I am glad you have lived and hope you will continue to live through out the ages - and I am so glad to have come in contact with you, and whenever there has seemed cause of for defense of you, or your sayings, my feeble effort has been thrown with all the force at my command in your service and it will always be so -

I have taken moments in my office hours to send this thought to you, but you will understand the feeling behind it and not the style in which it is written - Sincerely yours (Mrs) Bessie T.

March 4, 1918.

Mrs. Bessie Taylor Page,
1806 Ninth St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bessie Taylor:

I am glad to know where you are for I had lost track of you. Your letter was most interesting to me although it did not tell me as much of you as it did of myself. I shall be glad to hear from you and hope to see you when I come to Washington.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

March 4, 1918.

Mrs. Beatrice Taylor Page,

Dr. Loring B. Palmer
198 Auburn Ave.
Atlanta, Ga.

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Dr. Loring B. Palmer
198 Auburn Ave.
Atlanta, Ga.

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Edinburgh just without legs. And you will use them when you bow your face South & Eastward & begin to enjoy death, an event which I pray may be postponed many years.

I enclose money order for $1.75, for which please send the music to M. J. Harris, Norcross, Ga.

Yours,

Palmer.

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February 14, 1918.

Dr. Loring B. Palmer,
198 Auburn Avenue,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Palmer:

I thank you very much for your kind words.

I have been trying to get in communication with Russell, but it is quite impossible as I can find no address. I am, however, telegraphing him at Atlanta. I hope he may get it.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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East Hampton L.I.
Feb. 21, 1918

Dear Editor:—
70 Fifth ave N.Y.

Dear Sir, on your fiftieth birthday please accept my Congratulations for the wonderfull work you are doing for my race, through the Crisis & the National association for the advancement of Colored people. It was during the time I was a student of The Manassas Ind. Sch. that I had the pleasure of hearing of you and afterward became a subscriber to the Crisis. May God Lenghten your life that you may continue the good work.

I am gratefully Yours
Robt. N. Parker.

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February 27, 1918.

Mr. Robert J. M. Parker,
East Hampton, L. I.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind words of February 21.

Very sincerely yours,

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February 23, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

New York City.

My dear Sir:

I take this opportunity to extend to you my good wishes on this occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of your birth.

Your propagandism of publicity is doing much to arouse the Negro to a sane view of his own part in this great drama of life.

May there be many happy returns, if not, the world already knows that you have not lived in vain.

Yours very sincerely,

Brown W. Payne.

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March 6, 1918.

Mr. Brown W. Payne,
Beckley, West Virginia.

My dear Sir:

Thank you very much for your kind words of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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dear sir Feb 12. 1918.

after congatulating yo on yor fifteth birth day and reading the shadow of years i say i am renewing my subscription i began taken the cridis in 1911. tho poor i feal i cant do without it yores.

Mrs. L. J. payne.

2/27/43

Greencastle Ind.

Dr. Hubbard.

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February 19, 1918.

Mrs. L. J. Payne,
Greencastle, Ind.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your kind words of February 12.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

August 28, 1918.

Mr. George Foster Peabody,
Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Peabody:

I have a proposal concerning which I should like your advice. Lord Robert Cecil of the English Cabinet has recently said that the German colonies must not be returned to Germany. This is, I believe, the first official pronouncement by a responsible English cabinet officer which goes as far as this, Lloyd George having previously said simply that the question of the German colonies would be left to a peace conference.

If Cecil's pronouncement is to be the attitude of the Allies, as seems probable, then logically the Allies are going to need strong reasons. The cruelty of Germany to her colonies would be one reason, but unfortunately Germany while probably worse than other countries does not radically differ from them in this respect. Further logical grounds must, therefore, be sought and they can be found only in the demand of the people affected.

These people are, of course, the Negroes of German Africa, but also indirectly they are the Negroes everywhere. If, now, a strong demand on the part of the Negroes of the world against the return of the colonies to Germany could be made would it not tremendously strengthen the moral foundations of a just peace?

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Moreover, would it not be in accord with the wise attitude of the labor party of England and France which has begun to regard the oppression of laborers in colonies as part of the oppression of laborers everywhere and which see that the open barter of colonies among culture nations without reference to the will of the inhabitants is a dangerous procedure and the seed of future oppression and war?

The question comes, then, how can this demand of the Negroes be voiced. I am sure that by convention or signed petition I can get the adherence of every Negro American of prominence to a demand that German colonies be not restored. To this it would be easy to add the assent of West Indian Negroes and the Negroes of West and South Africa. With cooperation on the part of the allied governments, Negroes of intelligence everywhere would, I am sure, join us. Would not this be in the hands of the Allies an effective weapon and on the other hand would it not be a heartening thing for Negroes to feel that they are being thus consulted and their wishes taken account of?

The practical question is, now, how to start at this matter wisely. I had planned writing a letter something like this to the Secretary of State but, of course, it would go to some third or fourth assistant and probably receive no adequate attention. It might be sent directly to Mr. Wilson, but there again it would have small chance of reaching his own eye. I could, I presume, get it to the attention of the Secretary of War, but he might not regard it as within his power.

What is your advice in the matter? Do you think it a good move? I should be glad to hear from you at your leisure.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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(WHERE ANY REPLY SHOULD BE SENT)

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Thanks for your letter which interests me greatly. Your suggestion seems to me admirable and shall hope talk it over with you next week. I reach New York Tuesday night. A careful outline of the plan by you would seem to me a valuable beginning. It should not be advertised in advance, of course.

GEORGE FOSTER PEABODY.

Paid-Night Regular Message---Chg.

49-13-54

Dear Doctor DuBois -
I was very glad to have this suggestion for I have been thinking of the complications of the settlement of the German colonies and how the necessity of not letting Germany receive them could be best worked out -
Heartily yours
George Foster Peabody
Aug 29

George Foster Peabody
25 Broad Street
New York City

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October 3, 1918.

Dear Doctor DuBois:

I have been hoping to hear from you this week in response to a suggestion which I made in a letter to you for a conference of leaders in the line of music in this City to see whether it will be practicable to work up a Festival that might give publicity to the Negroes importance to the country at this time. I have to return to Saratoga Springs this afternoon but will be here again next Wednesday and would be glad if you could write to me at Saratoga Springs your thought of the matter.

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I desire also to ask you respecting the matter of co-operation and whether you were present at the National Cooperative Convention in Springfield, Illinois, a report of which was made in last night's issue of the Evening Post, in a letter dated September 25th. I read the report with interest, but it impressed me as being a mistake to endeavor to work into the cooperative store the question of social values. I do not believe that the Rochdale and other successful enterprises in Great Britain have tried to mix things in that way. I will be glad to know your thought of this at convenience.

I was pleased to have the Honorable P. W. Wilson, M. P., of the London Daily News, tell me last evening of his great pleasure in having met you and of his satisfaction in hearing your eloquent expression of broad and suggestive views respecting the important issue of the German colonies, as to which we have had some discussion.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
The Crisis,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

[George Foster Peabody]

THE CITY CLUB OF NEW YORK

Nov 12 1918

Dear Mr DuBois

I have your letter this morning for which I am very glad for I am going to Washington tomorrow and not Hampton — I am sorry that I will not be able to have a talk with you before going nor I fear before next month because I return home to Saratoga Springs for Thanksgiving — but I hope to see Mr Scott while in Washington and may learn from him of his plans — Your Secretary

mitted ~~the~~ copy of Mr Scotts reply to yours of 8th and included three copies of your letter I return two of them herewith – Evidently Mr Scott has in mind getting out something quickly to help his Publisher get the first market – That will not allow time for the careful historical study necessary to make the book of permanent Scholarly value which you have in mind –

Of course his official connection will make his contribution of real value as one of the sources for historical research.

I should think that it might make it unnecessary that you should plan for so many volumes – Your

I am for deliberate thorough work as appeals to me and your desire that Mr Woodson associated seems to me sound. My thought would be that he would find the cooperation you suggest helpful and your reputation in scholarly circles would certainly be of advantage — Of course both of you should see that such a book should be scientific and without bias either pro or con with any personal sympathies.

My idea would be that Prof Haynes would be an important and suitable associate in the effort. I shall hope to talk with you as soon as I can be in the

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I am glad to hear of the thought
you have given to the question of the African colonies
in view of the present status and universal ac-
ceptance of the view that they cannot go
back to Germany I am inclined at
the moment to think a representative
group of your leading men and women
might ask for a hearing from President
Wilson to advantage - If such should
be arranged I would suggest though
very carefully edited speeches that
supported each other so that the press
would carry them in full and any
reply that the President might make

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if any - I can see real advantage
from such a presentation made with
reserve and the dignity which your
fine people can so well emphasize
on occasion —

I am glad to think
that you want to push cooperation
I am sure it is of vital importance
from many points of view - I hope
to talk with you of it - There is
great work to be done and you
can be certain the President is

deeply interested in the most safe and sane working out of democracy for your people as for all others. You will know that he cannot but realize how important a factor it must increasingly be—

—I hope to talk with you of these various issues for I am deeply eager to not delay such effective steps as need to be taken in several directions.

—I am distressed that at the time of these two more horrible lynchings in Alabama our papers report the two instances of lawless Negroes here and

in Alabama —

Miranda Jones

Doctor W. E. B. Du Bois
New York City

George Foster Peabody

I have been hoping
to hear that you wanted
to talk over with me Dr Peabody's
Education for Life or your views of it.
I think it a book with which
your fine mind must have
more accord than
you expected

G. F. P.

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November 14, 1918

Mr. [illegible] Foster Peabody,
[illegible]
[illegible] City.

My dear Mr. Peabody:

I wrote your secretary October 30, giving him an outline of what we had done toward the Tercentenary. I think we are going to get a meeting of the large committee early in January. Mr. Scott and Dr. Hyton and most of the persons I have approached have expressed their willingness to cooperate.

The matter of the African colonies is coming to us from all sources. Mr. Scott spoke of it at the Carnegie Hall meeting. Circular letters of various sorts have been sent out and some meetings have been held. We are considering the question of a memorial from a large and representative delegations to [illegible] on President Wilson. What do you think of such a move?

Finally, I believe Mr. Hollingsworth Wood has spoken of our plan to write a careful, scientific and complete history of the Negro in the Great War. I have approached Mr. Woodson and Mr. Scott on this matter, so far without success, although both of them are interested. I am enclosing copy of the correspondence I have had with each of them and a final letter to Mr. Woodson, which [illegible] this mail. I shall be very glad to have [illegible]

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CINCINNATI, OHIO Aug. 2, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

70 Fifth Ave.,

New York.

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Dear Dr. DuBois:-

I have been intending to send you my congratulations upon your appointment to the Intelligence Bureau of the Department of Information in the War Department, but have just gotten around to it. In extending my hearty congratulations let me say, that I notice some controversy going on in the papers concerning the wisdom of your accepting the appointment. I notice also the suggestion that you have gone back on your former position and become lukewarm, for the sake of the position to which you have recently been appointed.

Let me say, Dr. DuBois, that a large number of your friends do not take that view of the situation. We think that your editorial in The Crisis concerning the duty we now owe in relation to winning the war was just the kind of an editorial you should have written. The colored man is getting more recognition and advancement, and becoming more a real genuine part of the American life now than at any time in its history. The last bulletin which is sent out from Washington concerning the President's proclamation against mob violence, the acceptance of colored nurses by the American Red Cross, and the possible call of colored Young to active service, to say nothing of many other things that might be given, justifies leaders of our race in urging our people everywhere to do their utmost to win the war. I read the editorial over and over to which some of the radicals are making complaint, but as over against some of these complaints I have heard some of the ablest men of the race congratulate you upon the position you take.

If you can secure a good editor for The Crisis, so that the valuable publication will not suffer, I hope you will find it convenient to accept the place offered you with the rank of Captain in the War Department.

Yours faithfully,

I. Garland Penn

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Sept. 6, 1918.

Dr. W. B. DuBois,
Room 521, 70 Fifth Ave.,
New York.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

I am in receipt of the marked copy of "The Crisis" for September, which came to the office. I have also seen the copy which goes to my home, as the magazine is a very popular one with my large family. I note your publication of my letter of congratulations and of assurances concerning your work. I would have made it stronger had I known you were going to publish the same. I approve of your course fully, and have read your editorials entitled "A Momentous Proposal", "Our Special Grievances" and "The Reward", and think you have covered the case adequately. May God bless you in your work.

I am leaving tonight for New York and expect to be there a few days, and hope to have time to call in and see you. I will be at a Methodist meeting in Yonkers, N. Y. Saturday and Monday, and may have opportunity to drop in and see you on Tuesday the 10th.

Yours faithfully,

I. Garland Penn

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Mr. A. G. Dill,
Business Manager, "THE CRISIS",
New York City,

My dear Mr. Dill:

Please accept this little expression from me. It tells what I am not ashamed to have known as to my opinion of Dr. DuBois.

Best wishes to the entire "CRISIS" management.

"DR. W. E. B. DUBOIS".

When a youth, he had a thought;
The world begins to think that thought.
When in college, he had a vision;
The earth will have that vision soon.
As a man, he sees a being;
No race, no form, nor sex it wears;
Its soul within, is all it cares.
The world will view it, too, some day
And call him great.

Respectfully submitted.

Verytruly yours,

Theodore R. Penney.

February 11th, 1918.

1724 Christian street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

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THE GRADUATE SCHOOL
HERMAN V. AMES, DEAN
COLLEGE HALL

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Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge the receipt of your letter in behalf of Miss Jessie Fauset who is applying for a scholarship in the Graduate School for next year. I shall take pleasure in referring your letter to the Committees that will pass upon her case.

Sincerely yours,

H. V. Ames

Dean.

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois
The Crisis
70 - 5th Ave.
New York.

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November 22, 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
The Crisis,
75th Avenue, N. Y.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

The only colored student I know of at present qualified to cooperate with other trained persons in compiling the history of the American Negro in the Great War, is Miss Sadie L. Mossell, now a student in the Graduate School taking work in the department of history. She was given a scholarship from the University on recommendation of the department and I can unhesitatingly recommend her. She is one of the most able students we have had in history for some time and has made a brilliant record for herself in the courses at the University.

If you wish a well trained women, who has not had previous experience in the kind of work you are preparing, I feel that you could not get a better person than Miss Mossell.

Yours sincerely,

A B Howland

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The Crisis,
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New York:

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Yours sincerely,

A B Howland

Copy of letter sent to
Dr. DuBois November 22, 1918

A. E. Perkins, B. S., Ph. D.
Biological Sciences
Alcorn A. & M. College

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Back to D. B. DuBois

Instructor in Natchez Summer Normal

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70-5th Ave., New York City.

Dear Doctor DuBois:- I felicitate you on reaching this splendid midnoon of a half century. The people should congratulate themselves on having you in this crucial hour of their history. The principle for which you have so freely spent yourself is far-reaching in its consequences. It involves the ultimate status, the very salvation and well-being of black men in this country, and finally, the rights of all men.

For long years you "trod," as it were, "the winepress alone;"- Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted. But now, as you say, "The world has slightly turned to hear." A silent, but resistless new thought, new resolution, inspired in largest measure by your lead, is possessing the black man. When you started out twenty-five years ago all odds were against you. Without support, with previous record, contending almost single-handed against the all but resistless strength of rabble leadership and their ice-thin platforms, you have with admirable zeal, lent yourself for your unfortunate people. By bartering off your manhood, your conscience, your sense of honor, and finally by trading off the blood, the rights, the future and hope of your race, you might easily have ridden in chariots, worn purple and fine linen, and eaten the fat of the land. But you chose not to "crook the pregnant hinges of the knee that thrift might follow fawning;" you preferred to sacrifice yourself rather than yield up your people for sacrifice.

Such leadership, a spending of self, a deathless devotion to a cause, a benevolence born of love for justice, is the only kind that deserves the gratitude of men. Thus have you lived and spent your great life and heart, and "now you belong to the ages."

I am sending through Prof. J. R. Ramsey for your birthday present four subscribers to the Crisis.

I am yours very sincerely,

A. E. Perkins.

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February 13, 1918.

Mr. A. E. Perkins,
Alcorn A. & M. College,
Alcorn, Mississippi.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words of February 3, and for your subscriptions.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

[E. H. PERSEY]

Nov 23/18

W. E. B. Du Bois

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is my check for the Music School Settlement for Colored People. My only regret being the small amount we are able to send.

With sincere wishes for the success of your financial drive Very truly yours.

E. H. P.
M. H. P. 2nd
M. H.

315 West 98th

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Nov. 29, 1918

Mr. E. H. Persey,
315 W. 98th Street,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

Permit me to thank you very sincerely for your gift of Three dollars ($3.00) to the Music School Settlement for Colored People.

Very sincerely yours,

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8/14½ N. 4th St
Richmond Va.
Feb 18. 1918.

Mr W.E.B. Dubois.

Dear Editor:— Birthdays may be called the milestones in lifes journey. And as you reach another of these Anniversary land-marks today, permit me to congratulate you on having thus far successfully passed them in safety, and to wish you, With all my heart, many similar opportunities of receiving the good wishes of your friends. That your future years may glide happily away, without care or sorrow, is the sincere prayer of.

Yours most sincerely,
Mrs C.H. Phillips.

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February 28, 1918.

Mrs. C. H. Phillips,
814½ N. Fourth Street,
Richmond, Virginia.

Dear Madam:

May I thank you for your kind words of February 18?

Very sincerely yours,

WSBD/GRB.

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA
The Rt. Rev. PHILIP M. RHINELANDER, D. D., Bishop
The Rev. HENRY L. PHILLIPS, Archdeacon
751 S. 15th Street

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Philadelphia, Pa., Feby 23rd 1918

My dear Dr. Du Bois,

The Good Book tells us that the Powers that be are ordained of God. The prophets were among the God-ordained Powers. They stood on the highest Divine Mountains & spoke of how Heaven could become a reality on earth. Then they smote with words stronger than battles the needless crimes of men against men.

You have come, a Heaven-sent Power into our lives. You have been doing the work of a mighty man of God. May you, for the sake of the race, that needs your leadership, continue to increase in its strength.

I heartily congratulate you on this your 50th Birth-Day. Shall I wish you many more returns of this day?

Cordially yrs - Henry L. Phillips

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois.

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March 2, 1918.

Archdeacon Henry L. Phillips,
751 S. Fifteenth Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Phillips:

I thank you very much for your kind words.

Our best regards to you and Mrs. Phillips.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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DEAN'S OFFICE

BALTIMORE, MD.
Feb. 22, 1918.

50 yrs

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I wish to say that I am one of the many who admire and highly esteem the work which you are now doing. I congratulate you on reaching your 50th anniversary birthday on the 23rd inst. and I sincerely wish you could have at least 50 more.

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Cordially yours,
William Pickens
Per E. N. Wilson.....

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Note.- Mr. Pickens did not read and sign this letter, as he had to leave the office beforehand.
E. N. W.

March 8, 1918.

Prof. William Pickens,
Morgan College,
Dean's Office,
Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Mr. Pickens:

Thank you for your cordial wishes on my birthday.

With best regards,

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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BALTIMORE, MD.

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Aug. 28, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Editor of the Crisis.

Dear Dr. DuBois!—

"First your country, then your rights" is a good sound doctrine that will never be outworn. You must save your country in order to save the possibility of your rights.

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But, of course, there is room for difference of opinion as to whether the editor of the Crisis should at the same time be an officer of the army. And I would like very much to see a colored man of your qualifications in a position like the one that was offered you.

Very Truly yours,

W. M. Pickens.

You have covered the ground well. 1918

~~I might suggest that you emphasize education~~
~~better religion without making anything~~
~~& reduction proper missionary efforts~~ — W. M. Jackson

MEMORANDUM ON THE FUTURE OF AFRICA

By W. E. B. DuBois

1. The barter of colonies without regard to the wishes or welfare of the inhabitants or the welfare of the world in general is a custom to which this war should put an end since it is a fruitful cause of dissension among nations, a danger to the status of civilized labor, a temptation to unbridled exploitation and an excuse for unspeakable atrocities committed against natives.

2. It is clear that atleast one of Germany's specific objects in the present war was the extension of her African colonies at the expense of France and Portugal.

3. As a result of the war the German colonies in Africa have been seized by the Allies and the question of their disposition must come before the peace conference. Responsible English statesmen have announced that their return to Germany is unthinkable.

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4. However, to take German Africa from one imperial master, even though a bad one, and hand it over to another, even though a better one, would inevitably arouse a suspicion of selfish aims on the part of the Allies and would leave after the war grave questions of future colonial possessions and government.

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5. While the principle of self-determination which has been recognized as fundamental by the Allies cannot be wholly applied to semi-civilized peoples, yet as the English Prime Minister has acknowledged, it cannot be partially applied.

6. The public opinion which in the case of the former German colonies should have the decisive voice is composed of:

(a) The Chiefs and intelligent [illegible] twelve and one-

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half million natives of German Africa, especially those trained in the government and mission schools.

(b) The twelve million civilized Negroes of the United States.

(c) Educated persons of Negro descent in South America and the West Indies.

(d) The independent Negro governments of Abyssinia, Liberia and Haiti.

(e) The educated classes among the Negroes of French West Africa and Equatorial Africa and in British Uganda, Nigeria, Basutoland, Nyassaland, Swaziland, Sierra Leone, Gold Coast, Gambia and Bechuanaland, and the four and one-half millions of colored people in the Union of Africa.

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These classes comprise today the thinking classes of the future Negro world and their wish should have weight in the future disposition of the German colonies.

7. It would be a wise step to ascertain by a series of conferences the desires, aspirations and grievances of these people and to incorporate to some extent in the plans for the reconstruction of the world the desires of these people.

8. The first step toward such conferences might well be the chief work of the movement to commemorate the three hundredth anniversary of the landing of the Negro in America.

9. If theworld after the war decided to reconstruct Africa in accordance with the wishes of the Negro race and the best interests of civilization, the process might be carried out as follows: the former German colonies with one million square miles and twelve and one-half millions of inhabitants could be internationalized. To this could be ad-

ded by negotiation the 800,000 square miles and nine million inhabitants of Portuguese Africa. It is not impossible that Belgium could be persuaded to add to such a state the 900,000 square miles and nine million natives of the Congo, making an International Africa with over two and one-half million square miles of land and over twenty million people.

10. ~~This~~ this reorganized Africa ~~for the Africans~~ could be under the guidance of organized civilization. The Governing International Commission should represent not simply governments but modern culture - science, commerce, social reform, and religious philanthropy. ~~It must represent not simply the white world but the civilized Negro world.~~

11. With these two principles the practical policies to be followed out in the government of the new states should involve a thorough and complete system of modern education built upon the present government, religion and customary law of the natives. There should be no violent tampering with the curiously efficient African institutions of local self-government through the family and the tribe; there should be no attempt at sudden "conversion" by religious propaganda. Obviously deleterious customs and unsanitary usages mus gradually be abolished, and careful religious teaching given but the general government set up from without must follow the example of the best colonial administrators and build on recognized established foundations rather than from entirely new and theoretical plans.

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12. The ~~real~~ chief effort to modernize Africa should be through schools, ~~rather than churches~~. Within ten years twenty million black children ought to be in school. Within a generation young Africa should know the essential outlines of modern culture and groups of bright African students could be going to the world's great universities. From the beginning the actual general government should use both colored and white officials and ~~later~~ natives should gradually be worked in. Taxation and industry could follow

the newer ideals of industrial democracy, avoiding private land monoply and poverty, promoting cooperation in production and the socialization of income.

13. Is such a state possible? Those who believe in men; who know what black men have done in human history; who have taken paine to follow even superficially the story of the rise of the Negro in Africa, the West Indies, and the Americans of our day know that the wide-spread modern contempt of Negroes rests upon no scientific foundation worth a moment's attention. It is nothing mo e than a vicious habit of mind. It could as easily be overthrown as our belief in war, as our international hatreds, as old conception of the status of women; as our fear of educating the masses, and as our belief in the necessity of poverty. We can, if we will, inaugurate on the Dark Continent a last great crusade for humanity. With Africa redeemed, Asia would be safe and Europe indeed triumphant.

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September 19, 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

S i r :

I read with much pleasure your announcement of a Conference for establishing co-operative enterprises among colored people in September Number of the Crisis. Of course, it was quite impossible for me to attend the Conference on the dates scheduled, but I hope that I shall be able to attend the National Conference in 1919.

The subject of co-operative enterprises among colored people has been engaging my attention for some time, and I would like very much to get in touch with members of our race who are that way inclined. I might mention here that I have been negotiating with the Liberian Government, in behalf of the National Association of Loyal Negroes, for a land concession in the Republic of Liberia, and as far as negotiations have gone, it is safe to say that the Liberian Government is disposed to co-operate with us to the measure of its means. I am of the opinion that you are in a position to give the names of some colored American gentlemen who would like to know of our scheme, and I would be very grateful to you if you would assist us in this respect. Possibly, the writer of that article, under the caption "What of Liberia" in September's Crisis would be an ideal person for us to get in touch with, and I shall also thank you for Mr. Wolo's address.

It might interest you to know of our scheme, as I am sure that you will give the matter your closest attention. It is proposed by us to form a co-operative enterprise in connection with our Association, in the nature of a Joint Stock Company chartered under the laws of Liberia, with the head office at Liberia, and offer shares for sale to members of our organisation or other members of our race who would invest in the scheme, for the purpose of developing lands in Liberia. It is the opinion of our Association that if industrial conditions were created in Liberia, it would be a very easy matter to get Negroes to return to the land of their forefathers.

Kindly give the name and address of the Liberian Minister at Washington, as I would like to communicate with him. In the past, all of our communications with the Liberian Government was through Mr. J.F. Crommelin, Liberian Minister in London, but we would like also to get in touch with their representative in Washington. Also, kindly advise me of any steamship service from United States ports to Liberia, and the passenger rates between said ports.

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I hope that I am not giving you too much trouble, and will ask you to bear with me a little.

With best regards for your good self,

Yours truly,

John H. Pilgrim

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address:
John H. Pilgrim,
Box 846,
Cristobal, C.Z.

October 7, 1918.

Mr. John H. Pilgrim
Box 846
Cristobal, C.Z.

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My dear Mr. Pilgrim:

I am sending you enclosed some reading matter on co-operation, and a circular which I have sent to our State secretaries if you are interested I shall be glad to have you act as State Secretary for the Canal Zone.

Please however, get a very clear idea from the literature sent as to just what we mean by co-operation. It is not a profiteering scheme and it is quite different from a Joint Stock Company.

There is no Liberian Minister in Washington, but the Consul General is Dr. Ernest Lyon of 421 Druid Hill Avenue, Baltimore, Md.

Steamship Service between the United States and Liberia has practically stopped at present.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GM.
Encl;

Personal

N.A.A.C.P. SUBSCRIPTIONS

Co. "A" 366th Inf. Camp Dodge, Ia.,
February 22, 1918.

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My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Congratulations. You have lived well and you have served mankind for mankind's good.

You were thirty-three years of age when I met you at Harpers Ferry, W. Va. J. Max Barber and I were the "boys" of the Niagara Movement, I being the younger by a number of years. I have thought of your tragedy of life many times since our meeting there; of all that you have had to bear in your life of service for your own misunderstanding brother, and I have helped the cause along as best I could as the years have passed.

Your work is finding some response among black men all over the country; they now believe you to be sincere, in part because your friends have shown them that you might have used your talents for personal gain without regard to black men or their cause.

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In a small way I am starting a movement here to increase the number of Crisis subscribers, and I now enclose my personal check and ex change for a year's subscription for ~~xxxxxxxxx~~ my ~~sister~~, wife ~~and self~~. You will send the Crisis to me at Co. "A" 366th Inf. Camp Dodge, Iowa; Eva M. Pinkett, 2118 N. 25th St. Omaha, Nebr. ~~and Mattie E. Banks, 2118 N. 25th St. Omaha, Neb.~~ Also send one number each month to Y. M. C. A. #90, Camp Dodge, Iowa, together with directions and subscription blanks. My check will cover this, also. $2.00 of the check herewith are for my membership, which will include the Crisis to me.

The war is destroying the white race. What it does not destroy it will make mad, and this will be the remains of Germany.

I am heartily sorry for France, she deserves help, but it is sheer nonsense to claim that America can be of any assist ance within three years, except in a material way. With our present shipping facilities we can move six thousand men from our shores each day, and I am liberal in my estimate, which would require more than a year to get two million fighting men across. Other men who are well informed claim that we cannot transport more than 1500 men per day, which would mean that it will take us more than a year to get 500,000 fighting men across. Before that time comes, Germany will have raped Russia, crushed Italy and France and isolated England and landed in Mexico for an attack on the United States.

H. J. Pinkett

[Pinkett]

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July 11th, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

I suppose there is now bursting about you the severest storm of your useful career, and I hope and believe you will not be shaken from your purpose of doing that which you are convinced will be of greatest service to the group for which your whole life has been a sacrifice.

I listened intently last night, during a meeting of the local branch of the N. A. A. C. P., to animated discussion of the questions out of which the storm grows. While but few voices were raised in your behalf, subsequent private discussion convinces me that a majority of the persons present are unshaken in their faith in you.

I belive all of us regret the publication of one sentence appearing in the leading editorial of the last issue of the Crisis, but that is past. We haven't time now to argue over "spilled milk". My apology for writing you is to urge that you be not discouraged by adverse criticism in this our most trying hour.

The suggestion that you decline a position in the Military Intelligence Branch of the War Department, with which goes a commission, is based upon the theory that your position as a leader of the race would be threatened. As I conceive the matter, this suggestion is imputing to you motives beneath your type of manhood. I have never believed that your position of leadership was the gratification of any ambition of your own. I believe that it came without your bidding and has remained even when you would have had it depart and that all of your service as leader of this great and growing group has been a willing sacrifice for the race. Having been so thoroughly saturated with such self-abnegation I believe you will not falter here. If there is larger opportunity in the Army to bring to fruition your lofty ambition for the race I am persuaded that public denunciation, nor telegrams, nor letters will swerve you from yoru course.

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1810 FOURTH STREET, N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C.
PHONE NORTH 4900-J

In view of a statement made by a true friend of yours at last night's meeting I believe your service as an officer in the Army, in the capacity previously indicated, would mean more to us in the fight for equality of opportunity and a man's share in the affairs of this Government than it could possibly mean in a position less strategic.

There is this further I would add: Already men are being assigned or appointed to positions of strategic importance as regards the race, and not all of their acts square with the manhood ideals which burn in our breasts. This unwholesome and dangerous influence must be curbed somewhere, and we need a man to do it. I know of no man so fully competent to meet the situation as yourself.

Wishing for you the wisdom of a Solomon and the patience of a Job,

I am,

Very truly yours,

A S Pinkett

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July 13, 1918.

Mr. A. S. Pinkett,
1810 Fourth St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Mr. Pinkett:

Thank you very much for your letter. It is very puzzling to know just what I ought to do in this case, but I trust my final decision will be right.

You know I appreciate your kind words.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

October 7, 1918.

Mr. Charles A. Pitman
3137 Pine Street
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Mr. Pitman :

I wonder if you would be interested in the co-operative movement as represented by our Negro Co-Operative Guild ? I am sending you some literature and a circular letter. Kindly let me hear from you.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CH

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Accept my fondest
Congratulations and good
Wishes of the day
US Great to be used and
Yet Still Young
Enough to Render Service
to a deserving Public

best Wishes Chas P Plumfeld

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OFFICE PHONE 136

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G. L. A. POGUE, M. D.

OFFICE—MAIN STREET

BEDFORD, VIRGINIA. Dec. 21, 1918.

Editor of Crisis,
New York, N.Y.
Gentlemen;

I am writing to ask your assistance. We have a co-operative Negro cannery for packing tomatoes and snaps. We have sold our entire pack ### to the government. Our pack was small 1 carload. The government inspecter gave us an excellent report when he examined them at the factory, but I hear unofficially that the government is turning down a great many car loads of tomatoes, and while we expect ours to be accepted we want to be prepared to have some one handle them if they are not. I thought that your office could put me in touch with a commission merchant in or near Baltimore, that is where we shipped. So that should we be turned down we can sell at as smalla lost as possible.

I am a little worried as several want our cannery and one of the several has a brother who is a government inspecton in Baltimore and if he ever sees our brand we are turned down. Any assistance will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours
G. L. A. Pogue

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Ref. to Cooperative League. Please refer to Del Bros Room 571 - 70-5 W

1717 Hall St., Dallas, Texas,

October 29, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

It is now twenty-one years since I met you and your life first began influencing mine. Your optimism and your faith in the ultimate justice of the human race, linked with your unswerving belief in the latent strength and capacity of the Negro were sources of great inspiration to me.

I am glad that I knew you intimately in a day when it required great courage to tell the whole truth about our race. In that day your voice was almost alone in its demand that we should have a more abundant and richer life.

My knowing you so well and my believing in you so strongly make me sure that you have not forsaken the principles for which you battled so valiantly when many of your recent critics were seeking favor at the hands of our enemies. The race is still willing to trust its fortune in your hands, for in the past you have been fearless and uncompromising, blazing the way through apparently insurmountable difficultied to a racial consciousness and manhood little dreamed of a score of years ago.

Sincerely yours,

Geo. F. Porter

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Nov. 6, 1918

Mr. Geo. F. Porter
1717 Hall Street
Dallas, Texas

My dear Mr. Porter:

I thank you very much for your kind letter of October 29th.

You may rest assured that my beliefs and intentions are the same as ever.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBDP/CF

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104 MARLBOROUGH STREET

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February 4 1918

My dear Mr Du Bois

The account of the pageant is exceedingly interesting. If only I had twenty years of active life to live I should try to have such exhibits repeated in our City.

It is very difficult to lead a younger generation into a sense of obligation for

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debts incurred before their time -

You are quite right, I am sure, in believing that such forms of art as would bring out the various talents and the enthusiasm of one race would appeal to the other and help to bridge over the gap between the two.

Meantime I am meeting very interesting individuals and weaving together some of their experiences and views in an interesting way

and if a little encouragement
can be imparted to any of them
I feel that it may be of some little
value. My cousin of whom I spoke to you as
keenly interested in the music, — is very ill.
I will carefully keep and bill, —
and then return to you, the
printed account of The Pageant.

With thanks

Sincerely yours

Elizabeth C. Putnam

Dr. DuBois

RECEIVED FEB 15 1918

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Boyds Md.
Feb. 9, 1918

My Dear Dr. DuBois:

I am an admirer of you and your work, and it gives me pleasure to congratulate you upon this your fiftieth Anniversary.

I pray that God many give you many more years of priceless service to the race and nation until He shall raise up your

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successor, who, is not yet
prophesyed of,—much less known.

With kindest regards,
I am, Faithfully
Rev.) L. E. Queen,

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February 19, 1918.

Rev. C. E. Queen,
Boyds, Maryland.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind words of February 9.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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107 Benning Rd. N.E.
Washington, D.C.
Nov. 6, 1918

The Negro Cooperative Guild
170 Fifth Ave.
New York N.Y.

Dear Sirs. Please send me information about the Guild.

I remain.

Respectfully
Rev. C. E. Queen

Literature sent 12-9-18

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November 23, 1918.

Dr. Nathan M. Rachlin,
48 Tompkins Avenue
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a check for One Hundred and Forty-nine Dollars ($149.00) second mortgage payment of $125.00 and interest amounting to $24.00.

Very sincerely yours,

Enc.

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[W. S. Rainsford]

RIDGEFIELD, CONN.

Dear Li

Thanks for your Rent
notes Sept 14. – Many
things to do. am crowded
time in France. the market
is feeling health. – Have
an very Committements.
I hope able to meet
you.

Sincerely yours
W. S. Rainsford

Sept 27. 1918

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Mar. 13, '18.

MAR 15 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Editor, The Crisis,
New York, N.Y.
Dear Sir:-

Please find enclosed ### $15.00 to pay for 300 Crises of Feburary.

300 copies are asked for of the March issue. We failed to sell wellnigh 100 of the Feburary number because of agents in the nearby cities where our soldiers go. We should be the only agent in this camp.

We have no Negro officers here to my unspeakable regret; but we have six secretaries and I will secure their photographs if you desire them.

I beg your consideration of the enclosed verse and its return if you find it unfavorable.

Let me wish you as many achievements for our people as you wrot in the Fifty Years passed. Some of those achievements were epochal in my life. And I am trying to live true to your ennobling contribution to me.

Most fortunate is our race that you serve it so unselfishly. "Where there is no vision the people perish."

Fight on! Teach Negroes that dying seeking to make things better is far nobler than living depleted in manhood. I will ever stand firmly with you because it is standing with GOD within, "The Invisible King." The cancer destroying all that is best in American life must be cut out if our nation is to live true to its chart.

I beg to remain one in earnest devotion to you and our common CAUSE.

A Comrade,

Arthur Randall

Back to Dr DuB

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March 13, 1918.

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. DU BOIS:

The following branches contributed in varying amounts toward the Loving Cup presented to you at the Birthday Dinner:

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Ye MISSION PRINT SHOP
SAM H. READING, PROP.
611 N. 43D STREET
PHILADELPHIA

2/9/18

Dr. W.E.B. Dubois,
New Your City.
My Dear Dr. Dubois:

I am publishing for the Rev. Henry L. Phillips, Archdeacon of the Colored Work of the Diocese of Pennsylvania a small magazine called "The Christian Warrior," and Mr. Phillips is planning to publish next month a story of your Anniversary. Can you let us have a single column cut of yourself to be used in connection with this article?

Thanking you in advance for the favor, and with kindest regards from myself and wife to you and Mrs. Dubois, I am

Very sincerely,

SHR/J

Sam H Reading

February 15, 1918.

Mr. Dan A. Reading,
611 N. Forty-third Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Reading:

I have no cut at present but I am having some made. I will send you one as soon as I receive them.

Very sincerely yours,

WEED/GRB.

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August 19, 1918.

Colonel Réquin,
C/O French High Commission,
Columbia Road,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Colonel Réquin:

Major Spingarn has given me your name as one who may be able to help me in securing information regarding Negro troops in the French Army. Our Association is planning a lecture on the subject of Negro troops in this world war and we want material on the African troops in France. Our plan is to send this lecture to different parts of the country. If we could have pictures for lantern slides, it would be of help to us.

Trusting that I am not infringing upon your valuable time, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Chairman.

MWO/RR

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE SENT TO THE HIGH COMMISSIONER

To Dr. Du Bois

TELEPHONE NORTH 521

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HAUT COMMISSARIAT DE LA REPUBLIQUE FRANCAISE

1954 COLUMBIA ROAD N.W.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

IN REPLY REFER TO OUR

No.

September 6th 1918

My dear Miss Ovington,

In reply to your letter of August 19th, I beg to say that I have already written an article on the subject of the African troops and the Negro troops and there splendid co-operation in France. If you care to use any of the material in it for your lecture I should be only too delighted andwould refer you to:

The New York age August 10

Hoping that this may be of some service to you, I am

Very sincerely yours

S Réquin

Lt.Colonel French General Staff.

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DR W E B DU BOIS

70 FIFTH AVE NEWYORK NY

THE RICHARDS LITERARY CLUB OF WASH DC IS HONORED TO CONGRATULATE ON HIS NAPAL DAY THE PEERESS CHAMPION OF HUMAN RIGHTS THE FOREMOST MAN OF THIS RACE CONTINUE YOUR GREAT WORK WE ARE WITH YOU TO THE END

HALLIE S BROW PRESIDENT BERTHA MONDY CLARK SECRETARY.

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March 8, 1918.

Miss Mallie S. Brown,
c/o Richard's Literary Club,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Miss Brown:

I thank the Richard's Literary Club for its kind words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

All communications should be addressed to "Civilian Personnel Division, Office of the Chief of Ordnance, U. S. Army, 1333 F Street NW., Washington, D. C."

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In replying refer to No.

2/23/60

Dr. W.E.B.DuBois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I am profoundly happy to greet you on your fiftieth anniversary, and to congratulate you on your many brilliant achievements. Thrice I have read the outline of your life as given in the current issue of The Crisis and have fairly drunk in, as it were, every sentence. No more inspiring sketch of any person's life have I ever read than this. Permit me to say that I am proud of your birth, your career, and pray that you may enjoy a long and prosperous future.

It may seem presumptuous for me to suggest that for a number of years I have religiously regarded you as the ideal leader of the Negro race in America. In my humble way I have tried to follow you in your propaganda, encouraging as many others as possible into the same belief. It is one of the boasts of my life that I have been a student of yours for two years at the Atlanta University, have read most of your books and pamphlets, have been instrumental, directly or indirectly, in securing nearly a thousand annual subscriptions to The Crisis. I shall continue to support this magazine and also the N.A.A.C.P. I believe that the time is rapidly approaching when the vast majority of the race leaders and educators will fall in thoroughly with your wise teaching.

My wife joins me in prayer that you may be spared many years hence in the continuance of the beneficent work of uplift so nobly conducted thus far.

Very cordially and respectfully yours,

C.W. Ricks.

2/27 18-109

February 18, 1918.

Mr. A. W. Hicks,
1333 F Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hicks:

I thank you very much for your excellent efforts toward increasing the circulation of THE CRISIS.

My best regards to you and your wife,

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

EDGAR E. RICKS, Minister
208 Patton Avenue, Northwest
'Phone 2750

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J. K. TRENT, Church Clerk
350 Rutherford Avenue, Northwest

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First Baptist Church

"STRANGERS' HOME"

Corner Jefferson Street and Gilmer Avenue, Northeast

Roanoke, Virginia, Feb. 22nd. 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

70 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I have read, with a great deal of interest and inspiration, the history of your life as published in the last issue of the Crisis and noting the fact that you will be fifty years old on the 23rd. I take this opportunity to extend you my hearty and most sincere congratulations and pray that many more years may be given you to fire the hearts of my people with a determination to look up and a courage to fight for every right of an American citizen.

As a further evidence of our appreciation of your great work and sacrifice for the Race we are hoping to have our application for a Charter to open a Branch of the N. A. A. C. P. in Roanoke reach your Office on the 23rd. inst.

Assuring you of our willingness to respond whenever you give the signal, I am,

Yours for God and Humanity,

E. E. Ricks

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE

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Come! We can help you

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E. E. Ricks

208 Patton Ave., N. W.

Minister
First Baptist Church
"Strangers' Home"

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

THE PASTOR GLADLY OFFERS HIS SERVICES and will esteem it a great favor to be informed of anyone needing the same. He will visit the aged, shut-in, sick; read and pray with them, attend funerals whenever desired, irrespective of the fact of church membership or non-church membership.

He particularly desires to meet, get acquainted with and help so far as he may be able, those who have no religious connection or church home. Jesus Christ came to earth "not to be ministered unto, but to minister," and as a humble servant of His, he would serve men everywhere.

Answer for Yourself

"What kind of a church would
our church be,
If every member were just like
me?"

THESE lines rhyme well, surely. They jingle like bells. Repeat them, sing them, whistle them. Every one "just like me." Such a church ought to please me. Would it please the Master? What kind of a Prayer Meeting should we have? Every member "just like me." How about our Young People's Society, the Sunday School? And the church treasurer? How much money would he have? "Just like me." What would the unconverted say of such a church? How soon would God's will be done on earth as it is in heaven?

"What kind of a church would
our church be,
If every member were just like
me?"

Life's Endeavor

I EXPECT to pass through this world but once; any good therefore that I can do, or any kindness that I can show, to any fellow-being, let me do it now. Let me not defer nor neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.

One Minute Sermon

ON CHURCH GOING

Text: "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is."---Heb. 10:25

Church going is a means of grace, and divinely appointed. It is helpful and restful. A fine investment of your time. It develops the best powers of the man. But how easily neglected. Absence from next Sunday's services will make it easy to stay away the next week. The slightest irregularity in attendance will work serious havoc with a good habit. Then we reach for an excuse. We shall find a plenty except good ones. Most excuses analyzed mean simply, "I don't wish to." If you will attend church regularly one quarter, you will want to go. Try the remedy. Begin next Sunday if you have not already begun. We shall look for you.

2/27 18-110

March 6, 1918.

Mr. E. E. Ricks,
208 Patton Avenue, N. W.,
Roanoke, Virginia.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your congratulations on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

DR. A. M. RIVERA
DENTIST

'PHONE 1236

GREENSBORO, N. C.

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We have recently added about twenty five new paid in full members to our branch.

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N.A.A.C.P.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Director of Publications & Research &
My dear Dr. DuBois—

2/16/82

I am enclosing a clipping from the Greensboro Daily News of this date 4/13/18 which explains itself—

I am and always have been very much concerned about the prejudice continually directed against our race and as President of the Greensboro Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. am writing you this personally in order that this most disgraceful occurrence will not pass your notice.

Immediately after reading this article and coaxing off a bit I started to S.M. Vick of Jamesson, N.C. who is probably the most prominent colored citizen of the town.

I told him that I thought any investigation, at whatever cost, short of an absolutely thorough one would not be fair to the young woman. After asking him to extend my congratulations to those young teachers who had the pride & courage to quit their jobs, I assured him that my interest was not merely idle curiosity and I am willing to do as far as I can, even at the risk of avenging that painful insult.

All friends here are awaiting your coming in May with delight. Yours for the success of the N.A.A.C.P.

A.M. Rivera

ELEVEN TEACHERS QUIT THEIR JOBS AT WILSON

Action of Negresses Follows Slapping of Woman Teacher by C. L. Coon

THEY SUBMIT A PROTEST

(Special to Daily News.)

Wilson, April 11.—There is quite a stir among the negro population in this city which has resulted in 11 female teachers in the negro graded school sending in their resignations, and they will ask that the trouble be taken before the board of education for a thorough investigation.

It seems that the trouble was because C. L. Coon, superintendent of public instruction, slapped the face of one of the women teachers, and also, as those who walked out contend, that Prof. J. D. Reid, the principal of the school, is not the proper person for the position. Resolutions to this effect were drawn up and signed by most of the quitters and sent to the board of education and printed in the local paper.

Professor Coon, in an interview this morning, said: "I don't wish to go into details, but will say:

"I slapped Mary Euell for gross discourtesy to me in my office. I am sure there is no white man in Wilson who would have acted otherwise under the circumstances.

"The principal of the colored school is not responsible for this trouble which grew out of my order lengthening the school day for the primary grades 30 minutes, a few days ago. Mary Euell refuses to obey the rule and defied the principal a week ago last Monday.

"The principal reported the matter to me. I could not go to the school then as the county board was in session, so I asked the principal to have this teacher

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Return to W.E.D. Du Bois

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Columbus, O.
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Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois
New York City.

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Dear friend:-

In this month's Crisis I noted the request that all your friends send you a few lines on your birthday. I feel that I am one of your friends, for I heartily endorse your many tho'ts and actions.

Enjoyed the brief history of your lineage & life in this month's issue.

I, with thousands of others

wish you many, many birthdays to
come, also good luck in all your
undertakings -

a sincere friend,

Mrs. E. Vernon Robbins-Johnson.
1356 Mooberry St,
Columbus, O.

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February 27, 1918.

Mrs. E. V. Robbins-Johnson,
1356 Mooberry Street,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Robbins-Johnson:

I thank you very much for your kind words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

822 Boyd St. Paducah Ky.
Feb. 20, 1918.

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois:

FEB 25 1918

Dear Mr. Du Bois—

No doubt this will be a surprise to you. Receiving Greetings from some one who you do not know But I hope an agreeable one I have been a constant reader of the Crisis since its beginning. After receiving this Month's Crisis and seeing on the cover a likeness of yourself and then calling to the

Editorial a Jubilee of your
fiftieth Birthday. Ask'd
them reading The Shadows
of years By yourself.
Wish to extend to you
Birth Day Greetings. Hop-
ing you many, many,
more Birthdays and
that you may live long
to do much good on the
earth. your work is a
noble one and in con-
nection with this greeting
I will say in the lan-
guage of Holy Writ

"So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."

Yours Respectfully
Wm Robertson

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February 27, 1918.

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Mr. William Robertson,
822 Boyd Street,
Paducah, Kentucky.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much indeed for your kind letter of February 20/

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Mrs. Morgan E. Robinson,
969 S. Mariposa St.,
Los Angeles, Cal.

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Editor, The Crisis,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:-

I had the pleasure of meeting you here when you honored us with a visit, and afterwards you said such splendid things about our city and our people in the "Crisis".

May I present to you Mr. L. Kumamoto, Director of Education, Formosan Government, Japan.

who is visiting our country
to study our educational systems
and to meet and know our
varied people.

I assure you, my dear Dr.
Du Bois, that we who know
him here, will appreciate any
courtesies that you may ex-
tend to him while he is in the
first city of our great Republic.

Very truly yours,
Georgia A. Robinson.

Philadelphia

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Dr W. E. B. DuBois
"Editor of the Crisis"
No 70 Fifth Ave
New York -

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Dear Sir I noticed in the Crisis of last Month that you would Celebrate your Fiftieth Birthday on Feb 23 -. And it was your request for your Friends to send you a Birthday Greeting. although I am a Stranger to you. I am sending you a little Token. I enjoy reading the Crisis -

"But as paper is very expensive and Rare
"To Economize" I am sending all I can spare
- So I send these words written on a Linen Cuff
- "a fine expression of my Thoughts though not enough

Wishing you the joys of Night and day -
May all things pleasant come your way -
Although we are now in the midst of War -
You have the best wishes of - G. A. R -

Geo A. Robinson
715 South 17th St -

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Some of our Greatest Men. were born in February -

Abraham Lincoln
George Washington
Thomas Edison.
W. E. B. DuBois.

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Enclosed find Subscription for Crisis
Commencing March Number -.

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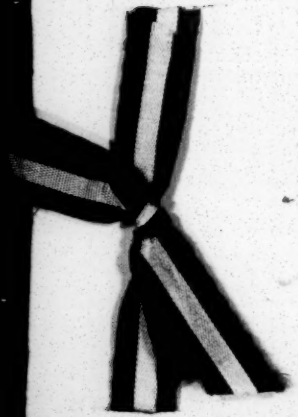

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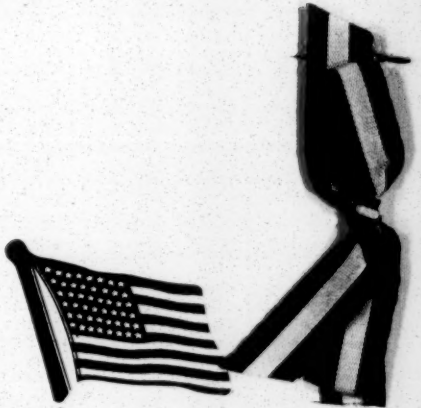
"This Cuff is just eleven inches long
May Life to you be a Joyful Song
It is also just four inches wide
May Prosperity walk by your side
And when on earth your work is done
And you have all the Laurels won
May you dwell in Heavenly Rest
Among the Righteous and the Blest"

G. A. R.



Capt. Geo.A. Robinson,
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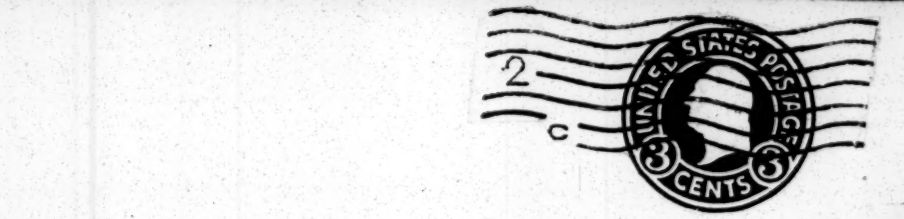

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Dr W-E-B- Du Bois.
No 70 Fifth Avenue
New York. N.Y-.

March 13, 1918.

Captain George A. Robinson,
715 South Seventeenth St.,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your token of remembrance on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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V 124 Magazine St.,
Louisville, Ky.,
Feb. 22, 1918.

Dr W. E. B. Du Bois,
New York City.

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My dear Dr. DuBois:-

I had certainly meant that this should reach you either on or before your birth day, but as usual I am late; so you must, for a while continue to be reminded that you are fifty years old even after you have already for several days been steadily getting together your fifty first.

I want to congratulate you that you have so much reason to be proud of the men you have made your first fifty.

My friends regards to Mrs. DuBois and Yolande. Sincerely, W. A. Robinson

March 7, 1918.

Mr. W. A. Robinson,
2124 Magazine Street,
Louisville, Ky.

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My dear Mr. Robinson:

I appreciate your kind congratulations on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

BERT M. RODDY, CASHIER
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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 5th Avenue,
New York.

My Dear Dr:-

I have been called upon by a group of citizens here, who are desirous of operating one or more co-operative stores and I have gleaned from some of your recent editorials that you have in mind, I believe, the exact plan which we hope to put in action.

I wish you would send to me at your earliest possible moment all data concerning the plan used in European countries. The idea here is that a group from two hundred to five hundred men desire to put up from $10 to $25 each and invest the same in a grocery business, from which business they would purchase all of their supplies.

Send me whatever data you have at hand pertaining to co-operative work in this nature and I will appreciate same greatly.

Very truly yours,

B. M. Roddy

PRES. MEMPHIS BRANCH
N. A. A. C. P.

P:S:- Mr. Church handed me a letter, which you wrote concerning the standing of Wilson's Surgical Hospital. It is quite an institution and I have had the ppportunity of going through it. It is entirely paid for. We consider Dr. Wilson one of Memphis most reliable citizens.

B.M.R.

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March 6, 1918.

Mr. B. M. Roddy,
390 Beale Avenue,
Memphis, Tennessee.

My dear Mr. Roddy:

2/16/56

At the same time that your letter came a letter came from Atlanta with the same idea of beginning a cooperative store. It is extremely necessary for us to first get the proper public opinion and understanding among the Negroes before we start. It is for this reason I am going to hold a conference on cooperation this summer. I would be glad to have you suggest a time and place for the same. What do you think of Atlantic City just before or just after the business league, or perhaps a more quiet place? Let me have your advice.

Answering your specific questions: The company must raise its stock as nearly as possible among its patrons and approximately equal amounts from each. The store must be where the patrons can use it, and it must be a matter of honor among them to use it for every single thing that they can even in spite of temporary and incidental disadvantage.

They must pay current market prices and then the profits of the business should be divided among the stock holders. It is well to have a part withheld for propaganda and social uplift. There are laws in every state concerning cooperative enterprises. These must be carefully studied. Outsiders may buy but do not share in the profits. There should be one price to all. Sell stock to anybody who is willing to buy it and make the price small, five, ten, or twenty-five dollars.

If there are any other questions kindly let me know.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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BERT M. RODDY, Cashier
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Dr. W. E. DuBois,
70 5th Avenue,
New York.

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Dear Dr. DuBois:

I guess you have wondered why you have not heard from me any further with reference to the Citizens Co-Operative movement. I have kept busy along that line nevertheless and have placed about $500 worth of stock at $10 per share.

The charter is now drawn and the application signed by T.H.Hayes, J. L. Campbell and J. B. Woods and a number of Memphis most influential citizens. We are planning now for a County wide campaign which will open next week. We are asking for 500 stockholders at $10 per share which is $5000 before we attempt to do any business whatever. Our certificates provide that not one cent of the money invested in the stock shall be used for the purpose of organization.

It further provides that if the store is not open one year from date, that certificate will be redeemed at the Solvent Savings Bank & Trust Company at its face value plus four per cent interest.

With reference to the convention, I think a co-operative convention should be held and should be made national in its scope but I do not think it should be held in Atlantic City in connection with the Business League. It should be held in the South since the bulk of people we are trying to reach live in the South and I naturally would suggest Memphis. I believe we are going to be the first to have a store of that kind and we naturally would be entitled to first consideration. I will write you further in reference to this matter but I would like to have just a word from you as to the convention. I think to have it in October or November would be a good time. We have a spacious auditorium and I believe by that time we will have the first Citizens Co-operative store.

Hoping to hear from you in reference to same, I am

Very truly yours, B. H. Roddy Jr.

P:S*-We have 1000 members in the N.A.A.C.P. and hope to add more.

August 6, 1918.

Mr. B. M. Moddy,
390 Beale Avenue,
Memphis, Tenn.

My dear Mr. Moddy:

I am calling a conference in the interest of cooperation at this office August 26 and 27. I hope you and any other persons interested will come. This conference is preliminary to a national conference next year.

Kindly let me hear from you.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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BERT M. RODDY, Cashier
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Dr. W. E. DuBois,
70-5th Avenue,
New York.

Dear Dr. DuBois: -

In reply to your letter calling my attention to the conference to be held in your office August 26-27th in the interest of co-operation, will say if nothing prevents, I shall endeavor to be present. I am to appear on the program of Negro Business League in Atlantic City and it will only take a short while to run up to New York for this conference.

Hoping that a National conference will be possible, I am,

Very truly yours,

B. M. Roddy

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August 12, 1918.

Mr. B. M. Roddy,
390 Beale Avenue,
Memphis, Tenn.

My dear Mr. Roddy:

I am glad you can be present at our conference. Is there any other person we could invite from Memphis who is interested and could probably come?

I am writing Mr. Church. The first meeting will be at 2 P. M. in this office, August 26.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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BERT M. RODDY, Cashier
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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70- 5th Avenue,
New York.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I would like for you to extend an invitation to the following gentlemen to be present at the co-operative conference on August 26-27:

T. H. Hayes,--680 S. Lauderdale St., Memphis,
Wayman Wilkerson 200 S. Fourth St., "
A. F. Ward, 158 Beale Ave., "
H. C. Shepard, 435 Beale Ave., ".

I think possibly these gentlemen are interested and would make the trip. We have about fifty subscribers for stock already paid on the Citizen's Co-operative Stores we are organizing here and I am having a prospectus printed preparatory to making a drive throughout the city. I think we will have the paid in capital of $5000 within ninety days easily. With this capital we hope to open our first store.

The stores will operate under the laws of the State of Tennessee and we have looked fully into the laws governing the State of Tennessee. How about using the article printed in the March Crisis on "THEORY OF CO-OPERATION," on the back of our prospectus by Mr. Wabasse?

Glad that you are getting along nicely and hoping that you will have a successful conference, I am

Very truly yours,

R'R

August 19, 1918.

Mr. P. M. Roddy,
390 Beale Avenue,
Memphis, Tenn.

My dear Mr. Roddy:

I am writing to the four gentlemen whom you mentioned to me.

I shall be glad to have you reprint the article on cooperation by Dr. Washington giving THE CRISIS credit. I do not expect many persons to attend this first conference but beginnings are always small. We have our initial meeting August 26 at 2 P. M.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Are Both Installed in this Bank.

Statement of the Condition of

SOLVENT SAVINGS BANK & TRUST CO.

At the Close of Business Nov. 20, 1917

RESOURCES		
Loans and discounts		$173,212.92
Ovedrafts		4.00
Bonds and Stocks		2,775.50
Banking House		12,190.00
Furniture and fixtures		6,197.16
Other real estate		3,006.60
Actual cash on hand	$15,736.90	
Due from banks and bankers (on demand)	90,509.62	
Exchanges for clearing house	450.74	106,697.26
Due from banks and bankers (not on demand)		None
Checks and cash items		3,960.81
Cash items in transit		1,075.50
Interest paid		1,014.43
Taxes paid		434.59
Total		$310,568.77

LIABILITIES.		
Capital stock paid in	$ 12,861.98	
Surplus fund	None	
Undivided profits less expenses and taxes paid	3,356.75	16,218.73
Individual deposits subject to check	76,980.10	
Demand certificates of deposit	None	
Due to bankers and banks on demand	None	
Cashier's checks	749.55	
Certified checks	None	
Due to clearing house	None	
Unpaid dividends	15.56	
Total demand deposits	77,745.21	
Savings deposits	134,222.49	
Time certificates of deposit	82,382.34	
Total deposits		294,350.04
Notes and bills payable		None
Notes and bills rediscounted		None
Reserve for taxes		None
Other liabilities		None
Total		$310,568.77

State of Tennessee, County of Shelby:

I, Bert M. Roddy, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and gives the actual condition of said bank as shown by the books on file in said bank.

B. M. RODDY, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 24th day of Nov., 1917.

J. T. SETTLE, Notary Public.

SOLVENT SAVINGS BANK & TRUST CO.

390 Beale Avenue

Comparative Growth of Deposits

Dec. 31st 1906	$18,374.71
Dec. 31st 1907	$43,620.96
Dec. 31st 1908	$51, 158 .77
Dec. 31st 1909	$77, 754 .42
Dec 31st 1910	$93, 113 .46
DEC. 30, 1912	$112, 673 .51
Sept. 12, 1914	$143, 051 .52
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Dec. 30, 1916	**$252,882.04**
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February 28, 1918.

Mrs. S. C. Rogers,
1611 Forest Avenue,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your kind remembrance on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

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Virginia Normal and Industrial Institute.

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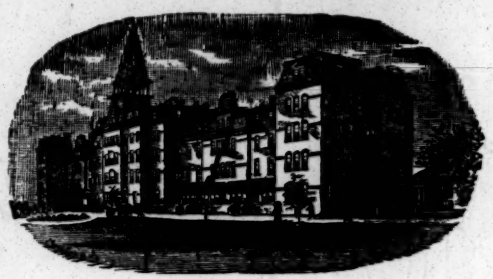

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Petersburg, Va., Feb. 21, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Allow me a few moments of your valuable time in reading my greetings. May this be your best year and may you be spared many more to carry on the good work in which you are engaged.

Sincerely yours,

W. A. Rogers.

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Dr W. E. B. Du Bois
70 - Fifth Ave.,
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and want more all the
time. Sincerely,
Mrs. F. C. Allen
1611 Forest Ave.
Kansas City, Mo.

A Glad Birthday
I've wished so
many, many
things
I scarce
know
what to say,
So I'll
just put
them all in one
And wish for you
"A Glad
Birthday"
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February 28, 1918.

Mr. W. A. Rogers,
Va. Normal & Industrial Inst.,
Petersburg, Virginia.

My dear Mr. Rogers:

I thank you for your good wishes on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

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Dr. W. E. B.Du Bois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr.Du Bois;-

Just a word to congratulate you upon having entered " the shadow of years" with unimpaired intellectual faculties. I am four years ahead of you of you. Let me assure you that the shadow is pleasant but you must drive carefully.

Long life to you and THE CRISIS.

Cordially yours,

C.V. Roman

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March 5, 1918.

Mr. C. V. Roman,
1303 Church Street,
Nashville, Tennessee.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your encouraging words of February 25.

Very sincerely yours,

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Feb. 20, 1915.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:—

I wonder if you realize what a flood you loosed upon your head when you wrote that little paragraph at the top of your editorials in your birth day number of the Crisis? For, I know there are many who, like myself, have hastened to seize an opportunity

which they have felt was before lacking; so you must prepare that "bloody" but unbowed" head of yours for a bludgeoning of a different sort.

I first made your acquaintance through "The Souls of Black Folk" and since then I have been seeking a more intimate knowledge of the man who wrote that marvelous book. Once I wrote to the "Questions Answered" column of one of our big City's dailies asking information concerning you, and they told me in less than a half dozen lines that you were born in Massachusetts and that you were the son of a barber! Shades of biographers! So you can imagine how eagerly I read "The Shadow of Years." Here, I said, is not only the man himself but the components of the man who stands behind his written words. From the grandfather Du Bois, with his mingled bloods, came both the galling of the chains that bind and the Thor-like spirit to beat them asunder. From the dreamy "barber" came the vision and the poetic flame that softens and brightens the sterner metal from the mother. She will to dare the star-ward path, and

the courage to cling to it, all-blending into the Du Bois we know a fighter as well as a dreamer, a Joshua, as well as a Daniel, or a David. Too many of us are dreamers only. We are afflicted with what someone has aptly called "spiritual laziness". We love too well to sit with our feet in the sun, both figuratively and literally, to be able ever to accomplish anything. We are those of the far vision. We see the winding road that leads to the gray-roofed town, the glint of the river beyond the far, high hills that rings it round, and above them, the stars in the evening sky

and above and beyond, hovering over all, the Infinite; but there needs must be some one to travel the dusty road, to enter the wretched homes of Dirt and Poverty, and Ignorance and Prejudice, those Veiled Sisters who minister to the stunted soul; not the dirt and grime of honest toil, but the dirt that breeds disease and Crime; not the poverty of God's open, wind-swept places, but the poverty of the Cities, that cankers and has a leprous touch.

Into these dwellings some one must go, to lead forth the dwellers that they too may

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see the shining river and the hills beyond.
Then hail to thee, O, player of the harp and wielder of the sword! May your arm be strong, your faith - be sure, your vision clear till that day when the New Democracy to which our own boys have consecrated themselves shall walk the earth, beautiful and strong as Truth herself, and may that day be far distant when you needs must turn your last gaze to that dear and hopeful land, whose people, though last called may be first Chosen (Who knows?) when comes this Day on Earth.

With sincere good wishes
I am yours,
Bertha M. Roy.

February 28, 1918.

Mrs. Bertha M. Roy;
Ellsworth, Kansas.

My dear Mrs. Roy:

May I thank you for your encouraging words on my birthday?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Atlanta, Ga.,
Feb. 20, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
70 Fifth Ave.
New York N. Y.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:-

We are writing to express to you our most hearty congratulations on the occasion of your birthday, and to wish for you fifty years more of

the happiness as expressed in
"The Shadow of Years."

With kindest regards to Mrs.
Du Bois and Yolande, me

Cordially yours
Mr. & Mrs. H. L. Pecker.

Prince George B.C. Feb 17. 14

W.E. Burghardt Du Bois
New York
N.Y.

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Dear Sir, — It is a delightful pleasure to join with the host of your many friends and admirers who are anxious to do you honor on this your fiftieth birthday, and I hasten to offer you my sincere and hearty congratulations.

From the first entrance you made upon your larger duties, and the birth of The Crisis, I have been enthusiastic with your sacrificing and admirable efforts, and I am pleased beyond expression.

For those whom we admire and love best, we are at all times anxious 'for what is best' to be their portion; and I embrace this hour to wish you —

"to court the friendship of that Noble and Mighty Essence that plays within you — an Essence whose heat and warmth is Life."

"The same, that brooded upon the waters, and in six days hatched the World," — whose irradiation dispels the clouds of, horror, fear, sorrow, despair, and preserves the regions of the mind in serenity, — The Spirit of God."

In His Wisdom you'll be happy. And to be with Him, is where the Soul has its full measure and compliment of happiness; where the boundless appetite of That Spirit,

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remains so completely satisfied, that it cannot desire addition nor alteration.

You have studied Him in the books that know Him best, and if not satisfied with "the written one of Him", you have that other His Servant Nature — that Universal and Public Manuscript that is displayed to the Eyes of all.

"The Shadow of Years"
bares a record of toil, suffering, experience, some transitory joy, and then "What?" — "in view of Eternity?" — "to leave it all and to die?"
"The final result of all life apart from Him spells Emptiness."

"You, should have the best." "You, Can have the best."
God! - wishes you the best.

"In the fullness of days
When Death's summons is made,
And your conseience of
Good Works and Merit parade;
When dreaming or dreamless,
Facing East, South or West,
May God bade you enter,
His Sabbath and Rest." Charles Stewart Sager

Yours Sincerely.

Box 102

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February 27, 1918.

Mr. Charles Stewart Sager,
Box 102,
Prince George, B. C.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind words and poem on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

Back to Paris 50 yrs

W. S. SCARBOROUGH, PRESIDENT

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Wilberforce University

Office of President

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Wilberforce, Ohio, Feb 23 1918.

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My dear Dr Du Bois:-

I am writing to congratulate you on your fiftieth birthday and to wish you length of days that you may enjoy many more natal anniversaries.

You have done well. Haste Virtute

With every good wish I am as always

Very sincerely yours,

W. S. Scarborough.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,

March 8, 1918.

Prof. W. S. Scarborough,
Wilberforce University,
Wilberforce, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Scarborough:

Thank you for your good wishes and kind congratulations of February 23.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Schiff

September 4, 1918.

Mr. Jacob H. Schiff,
Kuhn, Loeb & Co.,
William & Pine Sts.,
New York City.

2/15/124

My dear Mr. Schiff:

I want to acknowledge with deep gratitude your contribution of one thousand dollars to the work of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

I have put the check in the hands of the secretary who will acknowledge it.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/CRB.

Corporation

August 8, 1918.

Mr. J. G. Schmidlapp,
Union Trust Building,
Fourth & Walnut Sts.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Schmidlapp:

I am trying to start a movement for the beginning of cooperative stores among colored people. I have already published several editorials on the matter in THE CRISIS and am going to have an article on your experiments.

I am calling a preliminary conference of persons interested in the movement at this office August 26 and 27. This is preliminary to a national conference sometime late this year or early in 1919. I wish very much that you could send to this conference some one who could tell us in detail your experience in cooperation among colored people. Would it be possible for you to do so?

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Aug 12/18

Mr. W. E. DuBois!

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Dear Mr DuBois!

Your 8th rec'd and me
Lou, the matter you refer to
is of much interest to me.
I should like to meet with
your people and if you can
make the meeting a week
later I can probably do so.
I Lou accepted (on the morning

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2/15/127

of the Garfield Monument
at Long Branch on Sept 2d
So cried by with you on
that with by one in
our association is Canadian
Enough with the work To
bring it before you except on
Special work on and he can
not may be spared
Yours Truly
L. G. Schmidtlapp

Co-operation

Cincinnati, August 22, 1918.

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois,
c/o The Crisis,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

AUG 26 1918 -10

My dear Mr. DuBois;-

Upon my return home I find your favor of the 13th. As it will be impossible for me to be with you on the 26th, I will give you a few statements very briefly, as to our experience in the co-operative store.

We started the store in order to save money for our tenants, and in our social work we thought it would bring them closer together, by offering them another common interest.

We felt that the institution should be run by one of their own people, but before turning it over we placed the store in charge of a white man until we had it on a paying basis. The negro whom we selected to operate, was an intelligent man. I must admit, however, that he had little experience in merchandising. He was a good accountant and capable of doing stenographic work, but the experiment was an utter failure. He did not even carry the confidence of the tenants, and we fear showed favoritism to his friends.

Where we have used the negro in administrative work, so far I must admit that we have not been successful. Our selection both in the store and in the hotel proved to be a man who considered himself above his race, and therefore did not command the respect that a white man would have done in the same position. In our work we find that there is caste among the negroes; that they go in clicks, and for that reason are not well adapted to join in a social work in which the whole are interested.

We gave the negro in charge of the store several months trial, and helped him wherever we could, but finally had to give up the place to a white man, through whom we have again been able to put the business on a paying basis.

Another handicap in running a co-operative store is on account of its being a small business, we can necessarily not buy as cheap as can the chain stores, who now so largely control the grocery business. On the other hand, where our business is located in the midst of a community, we can do it at much less expense than it can be operated by regular stores where the expense is from 15 to 18%, while we can do it on a 10% expense. We felt at the start, therefore, we could eventually save our tenants 10% on their purchases. We have not yet reached this point, but we have been able to pay them 3%, and we are hoping soon to raise it to 5%, and gradually above this amount. You must understand that we do not ask them to put up a dollar, and that the capital for operating the business can only be earned gradually, if we want to operate it so as to enlist the confidence of our customers.

It is rather difficult to answer in general, by letter, on the subject of a co-operative store for negroes. I would suggest that you select from among your number one who has been merchandising, and let him either visit us, or ask by letter such questions as occur to him, which we shall be pleased to answer.

While we have not been successful in finding among the negroes administrative talent, this does not say that it cannot be found, but in our hotel work where a negro has charge, we find tenants pay better and are more prompt when they learn it is under white ownership.

I am in New York the third week of every month, and it would be a pleasure to meet you at any time during one of these visits. As I wrote to you the other day, I shall be there the first week of September. My office is at 100 Broadway.

Very sincerely yours,

J. D. Schmidlapp.

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BISHOP I. B. SCOTT
125 FOURTEENTH AVENUE NORTH
NASHVILLE, TENN.
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

February 21st 1918

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

New York City,

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I write this line to congratulate you on your having attained your fiftieth birthday. You are doing a great work and your devotion to the interests of our people will be more and more appreciated as the years shall come and go. May you be spared for many years to come!

Yours very sincerely,

I. B. Scott

March 2, 1918.

Bishop I. B. Scott,
125 Fourteenth Avenue, N.,
Nashville, Tennessee.

My dear Mr. Scott:

I appreciate your kind congratulations.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Copy

October

Mrs. Mary T. Seymour
420 New Britain Avenue
Hartford, Conn.

My dear Mrs. Seymour :

I wonder if you would be interested in the co-operative movement as represented by our Negro Co-Operative Guild? I am sending you some literature and a circular letter. Kindly let me hear from you.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GM.

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August 20, 1918.

Mr. H. C. Shepard,
425 Beale Avenue,
Memphis, Tenn.

My dear Sir:

I am inviting a number of gentlemen interested in cooperation to a conference in my office, August 26 and 27 beginning at 2 P. M. on the first day. I should be very glad to have you attend. I hope to make this conference preliminary to a national conference to be held sometime in 1919.

Kindly let me know if you can be present.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBI/CRB.

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Cooperation

AUG 27 1918 -10

Memphis, Tennessee.
August 24, 1918.

Dr. E. W. D. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City,
N.Y.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have your letter under date of the 20th instant and greatly appreciate your invitation to attend the conference to be held held at your office on August 26th and 27th, in the interest of cooperation. Beg to advise that it will be impossible for me to attend the conference having made previous engagements, however, I trust that the meeting will be a success in every way.

Very sincerely yours,

D. C. Shepherd

438 Beale Ave.

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National Training School
JAMES E. SHEPARD, PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF PRESIDENT
Durham, N. C.

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February 20, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter. I am hoping that you can find your way clear to be with us on the evening of the 8th of May. I am so arranging.

I will be able to send you a check on the investigation around the 10th of March. Some of the people, upon whom we depend for this aid have not as yet made a response and I am carrying it largely personally for the time being, but I desire it carried to a successful termination.

2/24/6

I congratulate you on living to be a half century old. My wish for you is that the circle may be completed and the full century rounded out.

With every good wish, I am

Yours sincerely,

James E. Shepard

The allowance for this address is $65

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Upon the 50th Anniversary of the Editor of the Crisis, Feby 23, 1918.

Like some tall cliff of fame in
song or story,
He looms aloft, unmindful of the height
To which he rises; but in a maze of glory,
He lends to lowliness a blessed light.

My humble tribute to the life and conduct of our defender and hero,

W. E. B. DuBois

Respectfully,

E. W. Sherman.

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February 28, 1918.

Mr. E. K. Sherman,
468 W. Broad Street,
Savannah, Georgie.

My dear Mr. Sherman:

I certainly enjoyed reading your little poem in your letter on my birthday. Let me thank you for it.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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CHARLES H. ROBINSON, GRAND SECRETARY
3526 CLINTON AVENUE
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Most Worshipful

Grand Lodge

F. and A. M.

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671 ST. ANTHONY AVE.

ST. PAUL, MINN. Feb. 9th-18. 19

Mr. W.E.B.DuBois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. DuBois:-

The invitation is extended thru the current issue of the Crisis to your friends for some word upon the occasion of your FIFTIETH BIRTHDAY. While I have not the privilege to claim membership in that class, I yet am 'moved' to extend you sincere congratulations, not for having lived so long, but for ~~having~~ having dared to do so much, for having borne the suffering and deep humiliations incident to a life of the educated black person in America. You have indeed accomplished wonders , not the least of which is the Crisis. I have watched your idea, the dream, grow and become a reality- THE MOON; THE HORIZON, THE CRISIS! I followed each of these. My Crisis file is complete, and it is interesting to look over the early numbers and compare with the latest issue; especially is this true when I bear in mind that following my beloved friend Fred McGhee, I was among the first five to pledge the amount called for to establish it.

Fifty years- so long looking forward, so very short looking backward. You have lived them well- deeply, truly, lived them; bearing aloft the banner of your Clan- not merely of the Bughardts and DuBois', but also of all those who hope to see the American Negro something other than a cook and seamstress, a porter and farmer; fully realizing the necessity and dignity of these positions, yet allowing freedom of opportunity to and for those whose bent and ambitions lead elsewhere.

In passing, may I also say my name was among the early ones sent to the Crisis as an applicant for the Training Camp for Negro Officers. Yes, I went to Des Moines; entered June 14th. During July my left eye began to trouble me; I went to an occulist in town who urged me to quit and care for my eye, but I wanted so much to make good; I stuck until I was totally blind. When I finally gave up and entered the Post Hospital they called it 'permanent blindness'; I was kicked out in three days- they called it 'Honorable Discharge'. I am slowly recovering some sight.

'The Shadow of Years' is very interesting; one may trace so many of the talents centered in you thru the past generations; you show even their faults so plainly, yet with the delicate touch of the artist. The ability to profit by the experience of others is rare, and you have it.

May you be long spared to us, Thou True Servant of Thy People. May the precepts and example of that gentle, loving, Christian Mother,-who hoped so much, who, doubtless, often bore suffering, and perhaps want, that you might profit,-always be with you, ever pointing the way towards the True Direction. May you always have the comforting companionship of 'the beautifully dark eyed slip of a girl' to cheer, encourage and hold your hand to the plow, that you may continue to teach respect and veneration for Black Womanhood. Be as the strong oak, firm, upright; buffetted at times by the tempestous gales of passion, perchance in some instances swayed by their force, yet always swinging back to the truth.

May the finger of Time touch you gently, that the years rest gracefully upon your shoulders, as you march with soldierly bearing down the Slope of the Vale of Shadows, rounding out a well spent useful life, your heart filled with the Song of Contentment.

May the Sweet Fragrance of your life linger long after you have passed beyond, and the world be better, happier, because YOU have lived.

Yours very truly,

Jesse N. Sherwood.

February 15, 1918.

Mr. Jose H. Sherwood,
971 St. Anthony Avenue,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Sir:

I appreciate very much your kind words and I certainly trust that your eye-sight will be fully restored. I remember your long interest in my work with great pleasure.

Very sincerely yours,

WEED/CRB.

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February 28, 1918.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am very little responsible for the success of the dinner though I am delighted that it was so pleasing. I thought the occasion an unusual one, and particularly I was much interested in your response. That you used the occasion as you did strengthens you very much in my esteem.

I was particularly interested in the presentation of your difficulties in determining allegiance to patriotism or internationalism. I can see that the conflict is real, as in my short acquaintance with the work of the Association it has arisen ~~all at~~ more than once.

Sincerely yours,

John R. Shillady

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SUBSCRIPTION
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4589 Garfield Ave
St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 21, 1918.

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Mr. W.E.B. DuBois,
New York.

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Dear sir:

I am writing to make you glad since you "would be glad" to have on your birthday a word from each of your friends. May God grant you many more birthdays.

I am your friend because your first were mine inasmuch as you were already fighting to make America safe for democracy when I learned to know you. I am proud of you and delight in the Crisis because from month to month it strengthens my hope and faith that America shall be free

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In appreciation of your valiant fight for that end I celebrate your birthday by sending the enclosed contribution as a "liberty loan" to the N.A.A.C.P., an army of soldiers on par with the noblest and bravest of this age. My confidence in them is strong and I believe they will never lay down their arms until there is in America the principle of justice whereby all Americans shall "live on equal terms of liberty and safety with one another, whether they be strong or weak."

Yours for the triumph of the N.A.A.C.P.,

Minnie T. Shores.

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March 13, 1918.

Mrs. Minnie M. Shores,
4589 Garfield Avenue,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your kind letter on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Personal.

September 10, 1918.

2/15/169

Master W. Du Bois Short,
1812 Druid Hill Avenue,
Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Master Short:

I am sending you herewith under separate cover a little remembrance of myself.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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1812 Druid Hill Ave.
Baltimore, Md.
Oct. 3, 1918

Dear Prof. Du Bois:-

Allow me to thank you for the photo that you sent me some time ago. My mother is going to have it framed and it shall ever decorate the walls of our home. Why don't you come to Baltimore to see us some time? Washington is so near Baltimore.

We are all well and

happy. With sincere and
best wishes for your health
and happiness.

Your God-Child

Edward Du Bois Short

per V. L. S.

P. S. Mother is going to
send you something soon.

When fulfillment has crowned every wish you wish:
When filled to the brim and overflowing, the dish
Held out for your joys; when your every prayer
Has brought, in response, all you asked — and
to spare
When the World has done all the kind things
that it could, to you,

May it then but have barely begun to be good
to you.

Yours as ever
J. Benj. Summers
202 N. 21st. Columbus Ohio

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My Dear Dr.

Many happy returns of the day. I can only quote the words of the poet when he says.

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March 9, 1918.

Mr. J. Benjamin Simmons,
202 N. Twenty-first Street,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for the little piece of poetry and your kind words on my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

R. P. SIMS,
PRINCIPAL

BLUEFIELD COLORED INSTITUTE
BLUEFIELD, W. VA.

July 13, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

When here in May we talked of finding some way of bringing colored talent before appreciative audiences in all parts of the country. I shall be able to use as many as five good entertainments during the next year. What has your office to offer?

When does the economic conference, about which you spoke, meet at Cheyney I shall want to attend?

Very truly,

R. P. Sims

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July 19, 1918.

Mr. R. P. Sims,
Bluefield Colored Institute,
Bluefield, W. Va.

My dear Sir:

Dr. DuBois is now away from the office on his vacation, to be gone until the latter part of August, at which time your letter of July 13 will have his attention.

I am sorry I am not able to tell you about the economic conference, but if you will write to Cheney, Mr. Hill could probably give you information.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

06/19/12

August 7, 1918.

Mr. R. P. Sims,
Bluefield Colored Institute,
Bluefield, W. Va.

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My dear Mr. Sims:

I am calling a conference on cooperation to meet in this office August 26 and 27. I hope you can attend.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Coop.

R. P. SIMS,
PRINCIPAL

BLUEFIELD COLORED INSTITUTE
BLUEFIELD, W. VA.

Oct. 26, 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
New York, N. Y.

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Dear Dr DuBois:

Though your letter is dated the 7th, it did not reach me until the 20th.

I have been trying to get together a group of men that will be interested in such a movement and at the same time select some good reader who will direct their study.

I have written to men in other W. Va. cities to get them to form such groups and inform me as to the outlook. Is such your wish?

Very truly, R P Sims

October 29, 1918.

Mr. R. P. Simms.

My dear Mr. Simms:

I am very glad you are taking some steps towards forming branches in ~~W. V.~~ West Virginia.

Have the various men report to you and let me know when you are in need of information.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/MR

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April 20, 1918.

Prof. J. B. Simpson,
Va. Union University,
Richmond, Virginia.

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My dear Prof. Simpson:

The time has come when Giles Jackson must be exposed for our own safety. He is being used as a tool for getting appropriations at Washington, and it has been with difficulty that we have just kept him from securing an important appointment.

I want to get at the history of his life with the idea eventually of thoroughly exposing it in THE CRISIS. How can this be done? I wish you would advise me.

I am writing Mr. Barco and Mr. Caffee.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

Hillo Jackson - P7

Va. Union University,
Richmond, Va. April 26, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I agree with what you say of the desirability of exposing unscrupulous men who pose as leaders of the race. Such men are especially dangerous when they are able to secure the endorsement of influential men who have no interest in our welfare. However, I hardly know how to advise you in your effort to get reliable information concerning the man of whom you write.

The colored people here speak disparagingly of him, and there are many rumors and suspicions about him; yet it is difficult to find a man who is willing to make definite, positive statements about him.

I have the impression that he would fully disclose his real character to some white man who would suggest a project of any kind that promised financial gain. I think, too, that some of the men who are using him as a tool would talk more freely about him to a white man than to a colored man, especially if the white man seeking information had not expressed an unfavorable opinion.

Mr. Caffee is investigating his record in the courts. He finds some interesting information, but, when I saw him yesterday, he had no instance of a conviction. He will write later.

Very sincerely yours,

J. B. Simpson.

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Office of the Chaplain,
317th Engineers.

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A.P.O. 766 Mobile,
American E. F.
Dec. 11, 1918.

Augustus Granville Dill,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Mr Dill:

Count not my reticence to be negligence. I realize that I was morally obligated to write you and many times have I thot of so doing but at each attempt something intervened. It is a long step backward to our parting last June. You impress me so much: "But you are coming back". As you intimated that we would return we are on our way home but don't know when we shall arrive.

Many have been our experience since leaving America and inestimable is the education received in the great school of martial strife. Aside from men in large numbers, men trucks, guns, munititons and more men; marching, fighting, moving; organization, system, discipline, there is an inexplicable something which assures one of his place in the whole and inspires self-confidence. A lesson has been learned by me and I pray that others have caught the vision. The War, C'est fini. We came, we fought we vanvanquished. Imperial Germany is no more.

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It fills my heart with fervor to mention the meritorious work of our comrade-brothers, Senegalese, Algerians and the boys from Tunis. France is proud of them. Africa had a hand in emancipating the world from prussianized slavery. Then from our land and country I see a mighty legion as it crosses the Atlantic and lands in Normandy where the Breton landed centuries before. In it are many types and races, but all are "Yanks". Some are white, brown, yellow, red and black, a homogeneous army, the 20th Century Crusaders. When the sun rose on July 15th 1918, these soldiers in one way or another took part in the drive at Chateau Thierry and carried it along the line until Sept. 26, 1918, we entered the Argonne Forest of the Verdun sector and by valiant fighting, undergoing many hardships and privations, forced the enemy back from the Hindenburg, Frega Stellmigrey Kreimhilde lines, liberating men, women and children for four years captive and laid the foundations for an equal chance to all men. This war has been the means of bringing together many nations and races for the common weal. I pray that the effect might be lasting. I firmly believe that we shall hereafter have a page in the new History of America. The Negro from America has met his African brother.

I had planned a trip to home but in view of returning home I shall not get to go. This I regret. I shall see you when I arrive at New York. Kindly remember me to Dr Du Bois.

With a cordial salute and sincere thots, I am,

Fraternally yours,

George A. Singleton
Chaplain, 317th Engineers,
U.S. Army.

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Brooklyn Daily

Editor crisis

My Dear Sir all though The February No. haven't as yet reach my office. Which The Same Will mean lots to me, and my Sales But however I Wish to express The pleasure I had in reading What I think The most beautiful waiting Poem by ... I am glad to say That We Know you now Such as We have never before. in my humble Judgment I know That your article Will come to you deserving presence in many ways. But believe me The best of all yet is The assurance you have. The Same as in Self. That at The Winding up. That you Will enjoy death As you have enjoyed life.

I may The divine continue to Smile on you in your Work

very very truly James Singleton

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February 14, 1918.

303 Parramore St.
Mr. James Singleton,
c/o The Residence Roosevelt,
Orlando, Florida.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your letter of February 6 and your kind words. I trust the February number has reached you by this time.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

ARMY AND NAVY
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
"WITH THE COLORS"

YMCA

408 R. L. T. Co B.
Camp Jackson, S. C.
Nov 16 - 1918.

The N. A. A. C. People

NOV 20 1918

Dear Sirs:-

I desire to know if possible, who is to represent the Colored people at the World's peace Conference?

I suppose it is due to over sight on my part, why I do not know.

I hope that I have made a grave mistake.

Thanking you sir in advance.

Respectfully your

(Corporal) Benj. F. Smalls

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TO THE WRITER: SAVE BY WRITING ON BOTH SIDES OF THIS PAPER. TO THE FOLKS AT HOME: SAVE FOOD. BUY LIBERTY BONDS AND WAR SAVINGS STAMPS.

BROWN S. SMITH
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW
OFFICES, SUITE 702 SYKES BLOCK
PHONE N. W. NICOLLET 621

RESIDENCE, 3358 OAKLAND AVE.
PHONE, N. W. COLFAX 308

Minneapolis, Minn.

July 23rd, 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70-5th Ave.,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear friend DuBois:-

I have learned with pleasure of your selection to a post which will enable you to be of greater service to your race and the country as well; and it has been stated in this connection that you will probably resign the editorship of the Crisis; this in my judgment will be a calamity to the people you have served so long and faithfully. Never in all the years of your life have you ever been stronger with the rank and file of your race, and the man does not live who could take your place in their confidence.

Various publications and individuals have suggested the probability of your quitting the Crisis; these men in most cases are ambitious, jealous of your achievement and envious of your success; they little realize how much patience, energy, suffering and anxiety the success of the Crisis has cost you; and now that it has succeeded, would gladly jump into the space formerly occupied by you. God Forbid it! I note also the criticism by the Guardian, in particular of your editorial in the July Crisis, and with all due respect to Brother Trotter, when we consider the times, the people and the state of the nation, I consider his objection not well taken.

To make a long story short, you have labored too long, consistently and loyally for better things for the race to have your record impugned by the barking and prattling of the herd of petty would-bes, who have done little more in life than to attempt to pick to pieces the work and achievements of their superiors. Wishing again to re-assure you of my unshaken loyalty to you and belief and confidence in your loyalty to the race and your ability to present its case to the bar of public opinion as probably no other living man can,

Believe me to be,

BSS/IF

Sincerely yours,

Brown S. Smith

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July 26, 1918.

Mr. Brown S. Smith,
702 Sykes Block,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Sir:

In Dr. DuBois' absence from the city, I beg to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of July 23, a copy of which I am sending him.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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Lincoln Memorial Congregational Temple

REV. EMORY B. SMITH, PASTOR

11th and R. Sts., N. W., Washington, D. C.

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January 29, 1918.

Prof. W. E. B. DuBois,
New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

This morning, under the persuasion of your pen, I have been made to realize how easily one person may form an unfair judgment of another, in relying merely upon appearances without due knowledge of underlying causes. For years I have read your books and arcticles with appreciation for your literary style, but with an unfortunate prejudice against the author, due to an impression of arrogance and ultra pessimism. As in all phases of literature and art the student is better able to appreciate the true worth of the production where there is opportunity to learn something of the life of the author or artist, so it is that I am now better able to thrive upon the fruitage of your fertile brain.

It is my earnest hope that "The Shadow of Years" may be read and assimilated by every skeptic, who has been antagonistic, indifferent, or has but half-heartedly supported the N.A.A.C.P. and The Crisis, due to an erroneous impression of the man who has proved to be captain of his ~~own~~ soul and master of Fate. I wish you many more years of successful labor in the noble work with which you are now engaged, with a deepening sense of gratitude and devotion of your race and nation, and that in life's golden sun-set you may have the joy of beholding a realization of your highest dreams of freedom, justice, and equality among all men.

Very sincerely,

Emory B. Smith

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February 2, 1918.

Rev. Emory E. Smith,
c/o Lincoln Memorial Cong. Temple,
11 and R Streets, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I thank you very much for your kind words in your letter of January 29.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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3307 E. 126 St.,
Cleveland, Ohio
Dec. 4, 1918.

The Crisis
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York,
N.Y.

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Dear Sirs:-

Having learned of the American Cooperative society and of the Negro Co-operative Guild through the Crisis, I have become much interested in their organization. Kindly send me particulars as to how I may become better acquainted with them.

Yours truly Ernest L. Smith.

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national soldiers home tennessee.
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editor. of the crisis.
70 fifth avenue new york city.

my dear friend- please to accept my congratulationa on the happy return of your birthday.it is a great pleasure to me to be able to renew the assurance of my esteem & friendship for your self & your family.that you may live long in the full enjoyment of every blessing which this world can bestow. is the sincere wish of your most devoted.

Henry Smith

FEB 25 1918

Atlanta Ga
48 Randolph St.
2-23-'18.

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My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Today being yours as anniversary of your birth, allow me pleace to be one of the many who are today wishing you health in plenty abundant success and prosperity. May you live to see many more happy birthdays and return each

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continue to give to
the world at large
those wonderful mes-
sages of truth and
uplift which to count-
less thousands are
so full of inspiration.

Yours sincerely

James M. Smith

March 9, 1918.

Mr. James K. Smith,
48 Randolph Street,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Sir:

Let me thank you for your kind letter on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Hickory, N. C. 2/21, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:—

Please accept my hearty congratulations on your fiftieth birthday.

Our race, no doubt, recognizes what it means to have a man of your character, worth, fortitude, ability, manhood and determination at its helm to steer it along the channel of right and combat the currents of wrong.

For many years you have fought for the Right as you have seen the Right. You have fought against ~~cast~~, segregation and discrimination and have done so against great odds.

You have stood & fought for the highest standard of intellectual training; the proper manhood & citizenship accorded to the darker races as are accorded the other races. The organ through which you speak is among the very best edited in this United States; and without doubt, the most powerful magazine of its size.

My prayer is that you will continue to live such a noble & useful life and that your life will be multiplied at least three times its present age and that our organ, "The Crisis" through which you speak will continue from generation to generations unborn. And as it continues to live,

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it will continue to perform the duty
for which it was established to perform.
May the good Lord bless you & your family
and may you continue to enjoy Mother Nature's
best blessing — good health.
In the prayer of,
Sincerely Yours,
W. Smith

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March 9, 1918.

Dr. P. M. Smith,
614 Thirteenth Street,
Hickory, N. C.

My dear Sir:

Let me thank you very much for your kind words in your letter of February 21.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

EDITORIAL ROOMS OF

THE CRISIS

70 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

W. E. BURGHARDT DU BOIS

March 8, 1918.

Prof. W. S. Scarborough,
Wilberforce

Tercentenary

827 Chamber of Commerce Bldg.,
Detroit, Mich., Oct. 16, 1918.

Mr. W.E. Burghardt DuBois,
c/o The Crisis Office,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Noticing through the columns of "The Detroit Leader" that you are chairman of a committee to formulate plans for the proper observance of the tercentenary of our race in this country, I am venturing to present a suggestion or two in connection therewith.

In the first place, permit me to extend my congratulations to the gentlemen who have this occasion in mind and ~~that (who~~ intend to make its celebration a solemn memorial, embodying all that we have suffered, lost, hoped and feared and gained during this memorable period. I had thought that it ought to be celebrated and am very glad indeed that the plan is under way.

One of the suggestions that I have in mind id that during this celebration, if possible, it should be shown by a carefully prepared chart just what sum of money the slaves actually earned from 1619 to 1865, computing their rate of increase, rise of wages, etc., as the years went by, had they been accorded the profits of their toil. I have thought of this for years under the title, "How They Overcame the Robbery", and I wish it could be approximately computed, as most Anglo Saxons do not consider this side of the question at all.

Trusting that you will pardon this intrusion upon your time and thought, and wishing you and those associated with you in this most timely and momentous undertaking, ~~my friends~~ I have the honor to be

Respectfully yours,

(Miss) Pauline Smith

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October 22, 1918.

iss Pauline Smith,
27 Chamber of Commerce Bldg.,
etroit, Mich.

y dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your suggestion
October 16th, which I shall be glad to put
fore the committee.

Very sincerely yours,

WEB/GP

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609 Cherry St.,
Jefferson City. Mo.;
Feb. 26 - 1918.

30 Yrs

Dear Dr. Du Bois,

You will have received so many birthday letters, it will not matter that ours is late. - Know that it is even more sincere than late. -

It was quite surprising to learn that You are fifty; yet, Walter is forty, and I am thirty-eight, - So we know that fifty is far from being old: ... How old it <u>seemed</u> twenty years ago!

How little it seems possible that more than twenty years have passed since I idealized Miss Nina Gomer as a sort of pattern I would like to follow, - and was so pleased when the Harvard-trained, Foreign-finished, Young Professor admired her too. -

How the pictures come of the tennis field; the party (given before she went home to to be married) — at which you, the only male-guest, introduced the game of gossip; and the Bridal-reception on her returning with you; - and my satisfaction in Each

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gown and hat she wore, and in the happiness of you both. — Happy 'yesterdays'. —

And the years have brought so many things into all our lives, so much of hope and realization, and sorrow and joy. —

Most of our lives seem puny gropings toward accomplishment, compared with the power and helpfulness of yours. —

2/24/63

Since the day the Crisis came, and we read it from cover to cover as usual, I have been wanting to send you a word about our appreciation and our good wishes — but knowing what a poor word it would be, I have hesitated. —

But I think you and Nina and Yolande will understand all the good things we would like to say. —

Walter is teaching Carpentry at Lincoln. I am taking music lessons again. —

He joins me in sincere best wishes to you all. Your friend,

Pearl Shorter Smith. —

March 5, 1918.

Mrs. Pearl Shorter Smith,
609 Cherry Street,
Jefferson City, Missouri.

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My dear Mrs. Smith:

I thank you very much for your kind words and Mrs. Du Bois joins me in best regards.

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Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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1513 - 9th Ave.,
Huntington W. Va.
Nov. 4, 1918.

The Crisis,
New York.

Gentlemen:

I am interested in consumers co-operation among the colored people, please give me whatever information you may have concerning.

Very truly yours,
W. A. Smith.

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OBJECT: To furnish means of friendly intercourse between members of the profession

EUGENE KINCKLE JONES
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MRS. C. L. ANDERSON
Vice-President

Social Workers' Club

2303 SEVENTH AVE.
NEW YORK CITY
TELEPHONE MORNINGSIDE 781 782

MISS CARITA V. OWENS
Secretary
MRS. ADAH B. THOMS
Treasurer

April 5th, 1918.

Dr. W.E.B.DuBois,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

At the last meeting of the Social Workers' Club, it was unanimously voted to invite you to membership in this organization. The Social Workers' Club was formed in 1915 for the purpose of developing a means of friendly intercourse between members of the profession. Its present membership numbers eighty persons--all engaged in recognized lines of social service work.

The next meeting will be held in the Young Women's Christian Association, 121 West 132nd Street, at 8:15, on Wednesday evening next, April tenth.

I trust that you will find it convenient to attend this meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Eugene Kinckle Jones

President.

EKJ/PW

[SOCIAL WORKERS' CLUB]

April 10, 1918.

Mr. Eugene Kinckle Jones,
Social Workers' Club,
2303 Seventh Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Jones:

I shall be glad to join the Social Workers' Club, but I am afraid that I shall not often have the pleasure of attending meetings.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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SOCIETE L'AMICALE FRANCAISE ET COLONIALE

Oeuvre de secours, d'assistance et de propagande coloniale à la métropole

Déclarée en conformité de la loi du 30 Mai 1916 et Décret du 18 Septembre 1916 de guerre N°20.735 Oeuvre faisant appel à la générosité publique et approuvée par Arrêté Ministériel du 11 Mars 1918 (Journal Officiel du 19 Mars 1918)

Siège à PARIS: 27 rue Boissy d'Anglas (VIIIème)

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Monsieur et Cher Compatriote

Nous avons l'honneur d'attirer particulièrement votre bienveillante attention sur l'oeuvre coloniale que nous avons fondée en faveur des coloniaux.

Oeuvre propagandiste et philanthropique coloniale.

Ecoutez notre appel .

La guerre terminée, nos enfants des colonies, qui ont si noblement et si vaillamment défendu la France notre Patrie, seront libérés et démobilisés; intellectuels ou ouvriers, ils auront la faculté de séjourner dans la métropole en vue de perfection ou même de s'y fixer.

Ils apprendront à connaître de près les bienfaits de la France civilisatrice.

La Grande France, celle de demain, celle Victorieuse, saura, par ses lois, par ses décrets, par sa protection, récompenser ses enfants d'outre-mer de l'élan patriotique qui les a conduits à faire rempart de leurs poitrines face à l'envahisseur.

Nous, Administrateurs de l'Amicale Française et Coloniale, Société ayant pour but: d'ASSISTER, d'ECLAIRER, de PROTEGER les enfants des colonies, nous avons pour devoir de les guider vers le devoir, le travail, les écoles, etc... Nous avons, à ce titre, offert notre concours, poussés par le vif et grand désir de contribuer à l'évolution de nos semblables dans une sphère de bien-être réel.

Le perfectionnement dans l'art du travail à tous nos compatriotes durant leur séjour en France est indispensable pour le relèvement des intérêts économiques de nos colonies.

Avec les éléments de bons travailleurs, votre concours, l'aide du Gouvernement, celle des Alliés, celle de tout citoyen dévoué à la cause coloniale, l'oeuvre entreprise par l'Amicale Française et Coloniale triomphera. Plus grande est la France, plus grandes doivent être ses colonies.

Un faible effort de chacun suffit à l'accomplissement de l'oeuvre

Partout où flottent les trois couleurs de la nation française l'Amicale Protectrice née des coloniaux doit être représentée, prête à répondre à tout appel colonial.

Soyez attentif à notre appel, l'oeuvre est gigantesque. Elle ne doit point s'éteindre dans sa conception, dans son essence.

Elle est d'une haute portée philanthropique.

Aidez-nous dans nos premiers pas vers l'Idéal.

Adhérer à l'Amicale Française & Coloniale, contribuer à son développement, c'est rendre hommage à la France et à ses colonies (I).

(I).-Faire parvenir adhésions & dons à Mr. ANNE-MARIE (Adrien) négociant importateur colonial -Chevalier du Mérite Agricole- Président Fondateur (au siège social) N°27 rue Boissy d'Anglas à PARIS (VIIIème) -

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OFFICE OF
DR. J. A. SOMERVILLE
1800 SAN PEDRO ST.
LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Aug 28 1918

Dr W E B Du Bois
70 Fifth Ave.
New York.

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My Dear Dr Du Bois,

This will introduce Mrs Charlotte P. Stearns of San Diego Cal. Mrs Stearns is a very active member of the NAACP and as a worker she deserves much credit for the rapid growth and large percentage of membership among the white people of the San Diego branch.

Any courtesy you may be able to show Mrs Stearns during her stay in New York will be greatly appreciated by us.

Yrs Sincerely

J. Alexander Somerville

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"Each for All and All for Each"

SOUTH OXFORD CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION
"Rochdale"

176 So.Oxford St. Brooklyn.

A CO-OPERATIVE GROCERY STORE has recently been started at above address (open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, and Tuesday 3 -5.)

Would you not like to learn of this CO-OPERATIVE MOVEMENT, which in Europe is solving the HIGH COST OF LIVING? More than one-third of the population of all the countries have embraced Co-operation. The English Co-operators own their own stores, Wholesales, Factories, Coal-Mines, Farms, Sugar Plantations, etc. What they have done to HELP THEMSELVES, we can also do.

Through BUYING REGULARLY at a CO-OPERATIVE STORE you not only save something for yourself, but you help forward a great ideal.

YOU CAN HELP NOW to eliminate waste and prevent exorbitant profits, and promote thrift, by joining a Co-operative Store, which our Food Administrator has asked us to form throughout the city.

You are cordially invited to call or write for further information.

CO-OPERATION!

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 5th Ave.,
New York, City.

Dear Mr. DuBois:-

The inclination to write you a word or so of appreciation has often moved me but whatever penance for sins I do in the future, the suffering will be doubled if ever I am punished for having bored any of the elect. So your birthday lends plausibility to the expression of an egotism which desires to be seen and heard yet not seen destrop.

I am presenting to you on this your fiftieth birthday a sight of this perfect penmanship that is of itself a work of art. I

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can well say this, since I, myself, have never mastered these two pioneers of civilization, Pen and Ink, and this creditable part of my letter belongs to the modest, blushing young lady who takes my dictation.

I delight, Mr. DuBois, in this your fiftieth unit of achievement in time, though it is far surpassed by your other achievements eternal; and for that the century and the people need most felicitation. The integrity of your life has done them high honor.

The truth about February is, that it pined so long in lonely obscurity before the two of us were born that its days

were shortened, but you and I have made of it at last a most distinguished month! Ofcourse there were a few other right well known folk, such as, Napoleon, Douglass, Ellen Terry, Carnegie, Charlie Chaplin, Edison, Bernhardt, Booker Washington, Roosevelt and the Kaiser, who deserve some credit for keeping the thing extant until we got here. One or two of these named might have arrived in some other month but it was simply because the stork train on which they traveled was too late or too soon. February is the month of celebrities. My own birthday is Februarey the sixth!

I have finished your "The

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Shadow of Years" with both pleasure and gain. I like to feel that I know what you mean when you say:- "Last year, I looked death in the face and found its lineaments not unkind". Death means little to you because life has meant so much. The gratitude of a race, which is indeed the memory of our hearts, goes out to you that in your years of honorable service, contending with a long rank of prejudices, you, among so few, have not stooped to profiteer, betray nor exploit.

I, too, think life, though at discount these dark days, wondrously sweet. Those of us who begin to touch far mile-stones

and pause to adjust values, to secure travelers checks for the Here and the There land find that the only coin left that rings divinely across the counter of exchange is Human Love. Love is the key to the doors of both primordials - life and death. It opens the door forever to life and forever renders death powerless to shut it. The unloved are not the unfortunate of earth so much as are the unloving. So at each day's orison, at each years retrospect, I thank the great God for the ever new wonder of those whom He has given me to love - those with whom I live and those who live out yonder with other people.

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And now, Mr. DuBois,
I crave pardon for all that
is crude. No letter shall come
to you richer in sincerity of
wish that God shall need
you here for many years.

(Mrs.) Annie Bethel Spencer.
1313 Third St.,
Lynchburg, Va.

March 4, 1918.

Mrs. Annie Bethel Spencer,
1313 Pierce Street,
Lynchburg, Virginia.

Dear Madam:

I thank you very much for your long letter; and am glad to know that you are among the fortunate February people.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

F. C. LETTS, President. Chicago, Ill. H. L. SPENCER, First V. President. Oskaloosa, Iowa. GEORGE P. SMITH, 2nd V. Pres. & Gen. Mgr. Dubuque, Iowa. A. P. SPENCER, Sec'y and Treas. Oskaloosa, Iowa.

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OFFICE OF SECRETARY

OSKALOOSA, IOWA, Feb. 9th, 1918.

The Crisis,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

Gentlemen:-

I have a letter from Mr. W. E. Burghardt Du Bois under date of Feb. 6th. You ask me regarding the integrity of Mr. Z. W. Mitchell.

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I will speak frankly with the understanding that I shall not be quoted, at least over my name. He came to this town a number of years ago, put up a nice talk with our business men, our college men, and a number of them were hoodwinked, so to speak. He got money from me and from others on what I regarded as false pretense, about $100.00.

Without going into detail, I tried to trace him up for several years, and finally located him. I placed my information before the Court Authorities, through recommendation of Mr. G. W. Woodson. He was indited, arrested in Illinois, and brought to Oskaloosa and placed in jail, but through his slick tongue and influence, several lawyers joined in and got him released from jail pending trial, on his promise to pay the debt. Have never heard from him since.

I regard him as a slick talker, intelligent man, and schemer for money, absolutely dishonest, and I think that you will be doing your people a service, but the white people a greater service by stopping his proceedings.

Please let me have the assurance that my name will not be used, or that what I have said cannot annoy me.

Very truly yours,

APS-GM.

Z W Mitchell

Copy

Evanston Hotel,
Evanston, Ill.,
March 7th, 1918.

Mr. C. B. Hosmer,
1924 E. Stuart St.,
Springfield, Ill.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of March first, addressed to H. L. Spencer, Oskaloosa, Iowa, was evidently intended for me, and therefore forwarded to me at this Hotel, where I am temporarily sojourningfor a little rest. I am glad to learn of the whereabouts of the negro Z. W. Mitchell, for I know a lot about his dishonest doings and pretentions. Some four or five years ago he came to Oskaloosa and worked along the same lines, which your letter indicates he is doing at Springfield now, namely "Loyal Legion Co-operative System", for the solution of the Negro problem. He is an intelligent negro and a slick fellow, and knows how to line up a lot of prominent men for his work. Mr. ~~George H. Woodson~~, Negro lawyer of ~~Buxton, Iowa~~, read his character better than some of the rest of us. He received about one hundred dollars from me through misrepresentation and hisce false pretenses, but got away from Oskaloosa before I fully comprehended the real facts leading up to my cashing his draft. I could not locate him for about three years, then I put ~~George H. Woodson~~ to work trying to collect my money, and I think he traced him through "The Crisis", ~~a paper published at 70 Fifth Ave., New York, in the interest of the colored race~~. Mr. ~~Woodson~~ collected part of the money, but later, failing to make satisfactory settlement I placed my correspondence and various data, in the hands of the County Attorney of Oskaloosa, Manhaska County, Iowa, who called me before the Grand Jury some two years ago and it did not take them long to indict Mr. Mitchell. He was arrested in Quincy, Ill., brought to Oskaloosa, put in jail to await trial, but through the influence of some attorneys and his good promises, he was released from jail, but on what grounds I do not know. I declined to see him or have any conference, but the indictment is still over him, and all the evidence in the way of telegrams. letters, papers, etc. are now in the hands of the County Attorney, at ~~Oskaloosa~~, Iowa. I have before me now a letter of the "Crisis", asking permission to publish evidence regarding Mr. Mitchell, with a view of stopping his methods to deceive the public. I cannot grant their request, as I do not want my name brought before the public in any publications or in any way that would cause me annoyance and trouble. I have been annoyed enough already, and I must insist that you do not publish this letter or bring me into any publicity or cause liable suit, but I would like to collect about eighty five dollars from him, the balance due me. My opinion is that he is a slick and smart rascal and his nefarious work ought to be stopped.

Please assure me that you will not bring me into trouble on account of this letter.

Very Respectfully,

H P Spencer

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The announcement is made

of the marriage of

Mrs. Marion Mayer Goldman

to

Captain Arthur Barnett Spingarn

Army of the United States

on Sunday, the twenty-seventh of January

One thousand, nine hundred and eighteen

at Washington, District of Columbia

Spingarn 97

February 13, 1918.

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Dr. and Mrs. W. E. B. Du Bois send hearty congratulations and good wishes to Captain and Mrs. A. B. Spingarn on the occasion of their marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Spingarn,
Office of the Surgeon General,
Washington, D. C.

Sixth Army Corps,
American P.O. 783,
American Expeditionary Force.

France, October 9, 1918.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

The ties of home assume a new meaning to us here in France, and when the guns rumble, as they do continuously not far off, the Crisis and the many friends whom it brings to mind seem very near and dear. I am now commanding officer of a detached battalion in the zone of the advance, with all the responsibilities of a quasi independent command. My overlord is miles away, and in this lonely camp in the woods, where there is no "life" outside of work, I am monarch of all I survey. My old regiment is not far off, and it seems hard to believe that many of my old comrades in it will never see America again. Men from the colored regiments come within my orbit, too, every now and then, and everywhere I hear splendid reports of their labors and fine deeds.

The other day I made Sunday afternoon a holiday, and paid my first visit to the largest city in this section. The ride there through country not unlike my own Dutchess was most interesting, and from the top of the last hill I could see the sorely tried city in a semi-circle of the hills which it in part climbed. It has been bombed and bombarded for years, and a large part of the civil population was evacuated last winter. Everywhere I saw signs of its sufferings. I sought out the Faculty of Letters (it is a University city) in the hope of finding some scholar whom I might know. But I found only the old concierge, who told me that there had been no profesors, students, or studies since the city was evacuated. She showed me the great hall of the University, and I mounted the rostrum and made my first address in French. My only audience was the concierge, who complimented me on my eloquence and assured me that I spoke excellent French. But though the French was really very bad, and the audience limited, I delivered my message in my most resonant voice, which echoed through the empty chamber, sad in its shattered ceiling and its debris covered floor. I began with the thought that one could love France very dearly without speaking perfect French, just as one could love God without speaking the language of the angels. I ended by tipping my audience and leaving the University. At the corner I bought a paper, and this startling headline stared me in the face: L'ENNEMI DEMANDE L'ARMISTICE. When I reached home (most of the way in the dark without lights) and stood outside my quarters, the guns seemed as loud as ever, even louder, and I asked myself the oft asked question, "Peace? Peace?"

You may say for me to all my friends that colored America has more than justified the hopes of those who have always believed in it, and more than earned all that we have demanded for it. I take off my hat to the courage and devoted patriotism of black men in this war.

Faithfully yours,

J. E. Spingarn

Sixth Army Corps,
American E.F. 187,
American Expeditionary Forces,
France, October 9, 1918.

Capt. Lt. Du Bois:

The file of Home Guards & New Assault to be here in
France, and when the Guard Company, as they do conditionally
not list this, the Captain and the Lieut. think it might
do much good very many days. I am now commanding
officer to a detached position in the zone of the advance,
with all the responsibility to the Lieut. Lieutenant command.
We have Lieut. Lt. Lieut. as the Lieut. Lieutenant command.
Lieut. Lieut. Lieut. Lieut. Lieut. Lieut. Lieut. Lieut

Zabern (Saverne),
Nov. 24, 1918.

Greetings from
Alsace Reconquered

J. E. Spingarn

Felix Luib, Kunstverlagsanstalt, Strassburg i. Els. No. 1606

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D. W. E. B. DuBois
70 Fifth Ave.
New York
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STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

(INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA.)
OLD LINE LEGAL RESERVE
HOME OFFICE, 200 AUBURN AVE.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

J. P. BOND, AGENCY DIRECTOR
1105 U STREET, N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

July 13th, 18.

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Doctor:-

Replying to yours of the 11th inst. The cost of ordinary life policies at age fifty are as follows,-

Whole Life(oridanry plan)	$41.85 -_	
Twenty Pay Life(ordinary plan).....	48.40 -_	per thousand.
Twenty Year Endowment(ordinary plan)	53.70 -_	
Fifteen Year Endow(ordinary plan)	67.70 -	

I am enclosing you herewith application blank which you may fill out, noting cross marks, and return to me with a deposit or the yearly premium of the kind you select.

Do not put it offm send in application at once. Insurance is good only when it is in force. Yours truly,

J. P. Bond

Form No. 401½ 20M-9-'17

[Enclosure]

PART I.

Application to the STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, Atlanta, Ga.

Male ~~or female?~~

1. Full name of applicant — Are you married? yes

If in the country give direction or road and number of miles from town

Residence: State | County | Town or city | P. O. Address

2. Full name of the person, if any, to be designated as beneficiary — Residence | Relationship to yourself | Age

3. Your occupation (state your exact duties in full) — Other occupation, if any

4. Place of business, No. 70 ~~West~~ Fifth City New York State N.Y. Name of firm or employer The Crisis R.F.D.

5. Place and date of your birth. City | County | State | Day | Month | Year | Age nearest birthday

6. Have you ever applied for Insurance in this company? If policy was issued give Amount and Number

7. Is your life now insured in any other company or Society? If so, in what Companies or Societies, and for what amount?

8. Have you ever applied to any Company or Society for Insurance without receiving a policy of the exact kind and amount applied for?

9. Have you an application for Insurance or Reinstatement now pending in any Company or Society?

10. Insurance—Amount $ {Ordinary / Intermediate} (Cross out form not desired) Form of Policy {Whole Life / Life / Endowment} Premiums payable in Years. (Insert number of years, and cross out forms not desired) Premiums payable {Annually / Semi-Annually / Quarterly}

11. What amount have you paid with this application? ($) Dollars Cents

I agree as follows: (1) That any payment made by me to the agent at the time of signing this application is a deposit on acconnt of premiums to become due in case a policy issues hereunder, and carries with it no liability against said company (except for the return of such deposit in case of my prior death or the rejection of this application and not otherwise) until the authorized officers of said Company have duly accepted and approved this application and a policy has been issued hereon, the first premium fully paid and the policy delivered to and received by me during my life time and good health; (2) that only the President or Secretary-Treasurer of the Company can make, modify or discharge contracts or waive any of the Company's rights or requirements, and any such modification, discharge or waiver shall be in writing over the signature of said officer, and that none of these acts can be done by the agent taking this application; (3) I further agree that any contract issued by the Standard Life Insurance Company shall be conditional upon the truthfulness of each and every one of the representations in Part 1 and Part 2 of this application, which representations are made with the intent that they be relied upon by the Company in its consideration of this application.

Witness to signature: J. P. Bond Soliciting Agent — Signature in full of the person applying for insurance

Dated at this day of 191 — Name in full of the Beneficiary (may be signed by the applicant) per initials of applicant

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No.

A Deposit is required with this application before examination is made.

If this binding Receipt be detached, the Agent will be held responsible for the deposit on the policy applied for.

When a deposit is made at the time of application, this receipt is to be detached and given to the applicant. If deposit is not made the receipt **MUST NOT** be detached.

When the application for the policy applied for is declined by the Company the amount paid must be returned to applicant, who will receipt for it on the back hereof. This receipt must then be returned to the Home Office.

No.

No other form of receipt for Advance Payment will be recognized by the Company.

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on account of premiums to become due in case a policy of life insurance is issued and delivered by the **Standard Life Insurance Company** on the application this day made by such depositor. If the said depositor dies prior to the issuance of a policy under said application and prior to its actual or physical delivery to him personally, or if the said application is rejected, this deposit is to be returned and not otherwise. If a policy is not issued and tendered to the said applicant within sixty days from date of the medical examination of said applicant this deposit shall upon demand be returned. The company will accept this receipt as cash toward the payment of the first premium, upon the issuance of a policy upon said application during the life-time and good health of the applicant and the payment of the balance of the first premium before its actual and physical delivery.

Date .... *Agent*

THIS RECEIPT IS VOID IF NOT SIGNED BY AN AUTHORIZED AGENT.

To be returned attached. Receipt will be returned

APPLICATION. PART 1 CONTINUED

[FOR WOMEN APPLICANTS]

Name of Applicant | Residence | Age

Maiden name. (If applicant is married or widow, full maiden name must be given)

1. Is your husband living? If so, is he in good health?

Give his age and occupation

2. How much life insurance does he carry? In what companies? How much is payable to you?

If he carries no insurance, why does he not insure?

3. How many children have you? Give ages

Date of birth of last child

Do you reside at home with your parents? Do you live with your husband?

If not, where and with whom?

State your occupation fully

Have you any other source of income? If so, state amount $

Who will pay the premium on this insurance?

Would the beneficiary suffer pecuniary loss from your death?

I hereby agree that the above answers shall form a part of my application, Part 1, to the Standard Life Insurance Company, dated at

on the day of 191 . and I hereby renew and confirm my agreement therein.

Witness to signature Soliciting Agent

Applicant (full name)

Dated at 191

Information for the Home Office and not a part of the Application.

AGENT'S CERTIFICATE.

1. How long have you known this applicant? 20 yrs. 2. Do you know him intimately?

If not, how have you satisfied yourself as to applicant's identity? yes

3. Is applicant now to your knowledge in perfect health? yes.

4. Are you satisfied after thorough investigation, that applicant is and has been of temperate habits? yes

5. What is your personal opinion as to applicant's correct age? as stated

6. If applicant resides in country, state distance in miles and direction from nearest town.

7. Does he own any real estate? If so what is the value? 7000 00

8. What is applicant's annual income?

9. Who is paying the premium? self.

10. By whom was the insurance suggested? by ag ent.

11. What are the sanitary conditions under which the applicant lives and works? good

12. Are applicant's habits and manners of living regular, and correct? yes.

Give name of every agent who is to share in this commission and why they share.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I personally solicited and secured the application of the above named applicant and know that same is the person described by Parts I and II of this application. I know of nothing affecting the risk which is not fully set forth in these papers and I do unqualifiedly recommend the acceptance of the risk by the Company.

13. Give names of three personal friends and their addresses:

Signed J. P. Bond

Soliciting Agent

Bell in where pencil crosses on.

[STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE CO.]

Insurance

July 19, 1918.

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Mr. J. P. Bond,
200 Auburn Avenue,
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Sir:

I have your letter and the application blank, in answer to Dr. DuBois' letter of July 11. Dr. DuBois is now away from the office on his vacation and will not return until the latter part of August, at which time the matter will have his attention.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

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Stanford University, California, Nov. 21, 1918.

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Editorial Rooms of The Crisis,
70 Fifth Ave., New York.

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Dear Sir:-

Replying to your note of November 15th, I regret to state that no colored man or woman has ever received training in the History Department of Stanford University, and that therefore I cannot make such recommendations as you suggest.

This is a remarkable fact and I do not know the reason for it; yet it is true so far as I know, in my fourteen years in the History Department of this University, that we have had no colored students in this department.

Very truly yours,

E D Adams

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Chattanooga, Tenn. Feb. 10, 1908

Dear Sir,

As a friend & sympathizer, I'll greet you on your birth-day.

I see things as you do, judging from your article, (which dear Miss Dingee loaned me) in that magazine which is published in Worcester, Mass.

But for the grace of God, whose Holy Spirit opened my eyes, when I asked Him to take control of my life & to enable me to see as He sees, I'd have had the same prejudice, the same mercenary, grasping spirit. So, when I was converted, I took the Bible for my guide, viz: to do as I'd be done by; to love my neighbor as myself; to help bear others' burdens; to minister to others & not to be ministered to. I am so sorry I've not more faithfully followed those teachings; but I do know I've found a joy which this world can neither give nor take away, in sharing with & helping the neglected, despised ones.

I'm so glad that when I came into possession of funds which were left me by my husband, my father, my brother, and his widow, I had no desire but to find the most needy, so I could feed, clothe & give Christian education to such; so I've had the delightful privilege of distributing all with my own hands & know that all has gone for necessaries of life; while living with & loving them, my own soul has been greatly enriched. I've had no salary; never had to solicit funds; sent out no agents to advertize; but just quietly tried to help many. I founded 11 day-schools in the black belt of S.C. paying fares & salaries of white teachers from Moody's school & others. I also leased the building & started the orphanage for col'd girls in Atlanta, & sent my helpers there to carry it on.

Most of the whites in Shatt declare I'm practicing "social equality," so they've tried to "break me up" by burning eleven buildings; they've called me 5 times to the Court House for trials, hoping to send me to the penitentiary I lost 27 cows & heifers in a short time; was publicly charged with murdering one of our boys, for money! Well, God has delivered me & kept me in health; my home is prospering; never in debt.

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I'm convinced that the only remedy for all prejudice, injustice, and selfishness in <u>every</u> form, is to have our hearts changed by God's Holy Spirit; that's <u>true</u> conversion! Then, as the Bible says, we will bear the fruit of the Spirit in our daily lives; viz.— love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith temperance & meekness.

"The natural heart is deceitful above all things & desperately wicked;" so our natural hearts need to be changed; that's what Jesus came to do for us, without respect to persons; Resent the Spirit, who wants to do the work & bring "peace on earth, good will to men." I wish I could help people to see & find the remedy.

If His professed followers, had obeyed Jesus' last command to go teach His gospel to <u>all</u> nations, to every creature, there'd be no war.

Very best wishes for you & yours, for the days or years to come. Resp'ly J. S. Steele

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February 19, 1918.

Mrs. A. S. Steele,
c/o Steele Home,
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

I thank you for your greeting of February 10.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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Wilberforce, Ohio, Aug. 3, 1918.

Doctor W.E.B. Du-Bois,

New York.

Dear Doctor:

It is rumored that there may result as a consequence of your acceptance of a commission in the U.S. Army, a severance of your relations with the Crisis. I hope nothing of the kind ca can take place. Certainly, I trust you will not on your own part consent to any such severance. The Crisis is largely, almost solely what you have made it. Without your personality, it would not be the Crisis.

I have just read your editorials in the August No. and the situation could not be presented in a more sober manly light. They are the words of a sound philosophy, a rational patriotism, and sound sympathy with the forlorn conditions under which the darker races labor, as well as a formulation of their determined aspirations.

The real colored man, the one who thinks, admits he is down, but he never adds the "out" to it; he is down, but still in the game, with a deep-seated determination to win in the long of it.

He will win in this war. It has been my belief for years that the Negro's chance would come only thru the general break up of a great war; things were so crystalized thet I saw no other way out. The war has come, old systems, old so-called truths and laws, and even facts are are thrown from their settings and conglomerated in nondescript--old things are done away, and Cod's pronouncem ent:- "Behold I make all things new" is being sounded in far-flashing "red artillery".

With the profound wish that you will continue to write, and continue also to edit the Crisis,

I remain yours very sincerely,

J. G. Steward

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Captain

August 7, 1918.

Mr. T. G. Steward,
Wilberforce, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Steward:

I thank you very much for your kind letter. The proposed bureau is not to be established by the War Department and I shall, therefore, remain with THE CRISIS.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GHB.

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Z. W. Mitchell - P7

WILLIAM R. STEWART
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW
DIAMOND BLOCK
YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

April 1, 1918.

Personal.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Seventy-fifth Avenue,
New York.

My Dear Sir:

Referring to your inquiry concerning Z. W. Mitchell, I am enclosing a circular which he is mailing to his acquaintances. This circular accompanied a letter received by me announcing a "Co-Operative Educational Congress" to be held at Springfield, Ill., September 22-23-24, 1918.

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In his letter, Mr. Mitchell states that Gov. Lowden and a committee of one hundred have approved plans for this congress, etc.

Perhaps you might be able to obtain some information concerning Mr. Mitchell's activities and what, if anything, is being accomplished, by taking the matter up with people at Springfield, Ill., where he is doing business at No. 124 South Eleventh Street.

I am pleased to inform you that every day I have been hearing from persons who heard your lecture with both profit and pleasure to themselves.

I trust it may be our good fortune to have you with us next year.

Very truly yours,

W. R. Stewart

Shall We Have DEMOCRACY At Home Through Mutual Understanding?

CENTENNIAL CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL CONGRESS

Springfield, Illinois

September 22-23-24, 1918

You are invited to attend a special meeting at the St. Paul A. M. E. Church, Sunday afternoon, April 21st, at 4 p. m.

Among the greatest events in the history of Illinois will be the centennial celebration of the State's admission into the Union. The centennial celebration consists of a number of great gatherings celebrating important historical periods and events occurring during the one hundred years' growth and development of the State.

As these events will be celebrated in Springfield, the capitol city, it is thought that some consideration of the subject which most particularly characterized the greatest act of the greatest citizen the State ever had—Abraham Lincoln—would at least be in keeping with the spirit of the centennial, and to this end some of the most prominent representatives of both races in America are being invited to attend a Co-operative Educational Congress to be held here Sept. 22, 23, 24, 1918.

Feeling that the colored citizens of Springfield are vitally interested in this event and should properly have a large share in the arrangements and program of the same, YOU are invited to be present Sunday afternoon, April 21st, at 4 o'clock sharp, new time, at the St. Paul A. M. E. Church, for the purpose of considering matters pertaining thereto.

Among the important questions to be discussed are:

Shall we have a chorus of Springfield singers?

Shall the fraternal orders have a parade reviewed by the Governor and distinguished visitors?

Shall the Co-operative Educational Congress be opened by a Religious Congress of all racial denominations?

If you have any interest in Springfield do not fail to be present Sunday afternoon and invite your friends to attend **the first meeting of the Centennial Committee** to be held by the race in this city.

T. W. WARRICK, Chairman, Educational Board, Loyal Legion Co-operative Educational System.

ROBERT P. TAYLOR, President, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

CAPT. R. A. BYRD, Chairman, Committee, Legion Enterprise and Industry.

Z. W. MITCHELL, Executive Secretary, Co-operative Educational Council Board of the Legion.

A. MORRIS WILLIAMS, President, Negro Business League of Springfield.

COL. RUFUS NELSON, Secretary, Employees' Charity League.

WM. H. BAZIE, Pastor.

The Proposed Co-operative Educational Congress has been approved by the Co-operative Educational Board of the Loyal Legion Co-operative Educational System, Governor Frank O. Lowden and a Co-operative Centennial Committee composed of 100 of Springfield's most prominent and influential business men. A Centennial Committee of 100 Prominent Colored Citizens of Springfield will be organized.

GOVERNOR LOWDEN'S ENDORSEMENT:

State of Illinois,
Office of The Governor,
Springfield.

March 7, 1918

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

I have been much interested in your plans for a cooperative educational Congress, to be held here September 22-23-24, 1918. I heartily approve of this movement, and shall be very glad to do what I can to help make it a success.

Sincerely yours,

Frank O. Lowden

Mr. Z. W. Mitchell,
Executive Secretary,
Cooperative Educational Council Board,
124 South Eleventh Street,
Springfield, Illinois

Many favorable replies are being received from prominent men of both races, representing some of the most important organizations of America.

April 13, 1918.

Mr. William R. Stewart,
Diamond Block,
Youngstown, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Stewart;

I want to thank you very much for the pleasant visit which I had in Youngstown. I enjoyed everything during my stay.

Thank you, too, for your letter concerning Mitchell. I am taking up his case in the next CRISIS.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/GRB.

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December 2, 1918

Mr. F. P. Stockbridge,
128 East 24th Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Stockbridge:

Unfortunately, I am returning from Washington too late to see you before I sail. I am sorry.

Will you please write me:

c/o Morgan, Harjes Company,
Paris, France.

2/22/42

as soon as possible and enclose a proposed contract?

I have thought of this possibility: Suppose we announce at the start Three Volumes, instead of One, as follows:

The American Negro In The Great War
Edited by
Emmett J. Scott
W. E. B. DuBois
Carter G. Woodson
in Three Volumes.

Volume 1
The Black Army
by
Emmett J. Scott
and
F. P. Stockbridge

(over)

Volume II
War Reconstruction and The Negro Race
by
W. E. B. DuBois
and
George E. Haynes

Volume III
Documentary History of the American Negro,
1914 - 1919
by
Carter G. Woodson
and
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Our plan would be to publish Volume One as a popular treatice by July 1, 1919.

If this sold well, we would follow this Volume by Volume Two, by February 1, 1920, and then a year or less later by Volume Three.

If Volume One proved not to be a paying venture, we could either drop the series to try to raise special funds for it and Volume Three - both of which would be more scientific and exhaustive than Volume One.

I hope to hear from you soon, so as to report to my Board and communicate with my assistants.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBDB/CF

MEMORANDUM TO MR. F. P. STOCKBRIDGE

Persuant to our conversation to day I beg to say that I shall be glad to cooperate with you in the compiling, writing, and editing of a history of the American Negro in the Great War on the following conditions.

1 The title page of the volume or volumes shall carry the names of three or four colored men as co-equal editors as, for instance

Emmett J. Scott

W. E. Burghardt Du Bois

Carter G. Woodson

2/22/43

I prefer the above names in the above order, but I am willing to consider any other order or the inclusion of only Scott's name and my own. I insist that at least my name and Mr. Scott's appear as editors-in-chief and co-equal.

2 I should prefer that the name of no white person should appear as editor, but if you wish I should be willing for your name to appear under ours as "Managing Editor."

3 I would like also on a page following the title to have the names of an Advisory Editorial Board of colored persons and perhaps one of white historians.

4 I should expect all questions of policy, inclusion and exclusion of matter and division of work to be settled by and Editorial Board of which you, Scott and myself should be members and two others on whom we could agree.

5 I should expect that this Board should carefully edit and revise the manuscript before publication.

6 I should expect equitable financial arrangements but have no specific suggestions on this point.

7 In short, I am only desirous of issuing a scholarly and fairly complete book, done mainly by Negroes and put into good English.

Will Mr. Stockbridge please examine these suggestions, and let me hear from him Saturday?

New York,
November 30, 1918

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To A. STOHWASSER & SON, Dr.

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650 Greene Ave.

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		1-1/4 in. independent gas cock		25
		1-1/4 " straight " "		25
		9 pr bars and tips		36
		1 inverted mantle burner + pilot light		125
1918		1 Junior light for bath room		70
Jan.	17	To Labor		250
		Cleaned furnace + flue, new pipes.		
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		2-7 in. galv. elbows " "		180
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		Soldr, tin and charcoal	.45	
		Labor	1.50	
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BOSTON 23rd February 1918

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John R. Shillaby Esq.

70 Fifth Avenue

New York City.

Dear Sir:

I regret very much that I shall be unable to attend the dinner in honor of Dr. DuBois on Monday next for the reason that my brother-in-law has died suddenly and his funeral will take place on Monday afternoon.

I sincerely hope that the occasion will be in all respects worthy of Dr. DuBois. He has devoted his life to the cause of his fellow-men with unshrinking courage, untiring devotion and great ability. What he has written in defence of their rights will rank high among the most eloquent appeals for justice, and I sincerely hope that he has many years of life before him, and that before the end comes he will see the triumph of his labors and the recognition of the rights which belong to colored as well as to white wherever our flag flies, although in practice they are so often trampled down by men who are blinded by inhuman prejudice. With every good wish,

Sincerely yours,

Moorfield Storey

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Mr W. E. B. DuBois.

Dear Sir:

I wish to congratulate you on reaching your fifth anniversary. May you live another with happiness & prosperity. I read your story, "The Shadow of years" with interest. It stimulated me greatly. I truly hope it will encourage others. I am of the belief that there are opportunities for every young man. But, Courage they must have! patience they must adopt! endurance they must withstand. I am a devoted reader of the Crisis & thankful to say have induced others to read & subscribe for it. An important thing to note is the number of Crisis readers in this state (penna) and N.Y. This State leads. Why? maybe this is one of the reasons. It took me 4 months to get one man to read the Crisis but I kept plugging away. Now through him there are 20 to 30 more. I am sorry I can not devote my whole time to the Crisis, but as I can't I shall continue in my own way for it is to the interest of me & my race. It is a small matter to them yet old Crisis to author who I dont read it, I shall keep it up. I congratulate you —

Hubert Stroyhorn.

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TELEPHONE
6461 CORTLAND

July 2nd, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
No. 70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

Your letter of July 1st is at hand, with enclosures, in regard to your Brooklyn property.

Upon telephoning to Mr. Trotman to-day, I was informed by him that he had adjusted the entire matter with the holder of the mortgage and that Mr. Rose, attorney for the plaintiff in the action, was writing you a letter to-day, which would show you that his client has been satisfied and that he is about to discontinue the action. I suggest that you forward this letter to me upon its receipt and I will then be in a position to advise you further in regard to the subject.

Yours faithfully,

Chas. H. Studin

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Paid 1st mort
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July 9th, 1918.

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
#70 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

I was advised this morning by Mr. Rose that the instalments of interest on your second mortgage are due on the 25th days of May, August, November and February of each year and are payable to Nathan H. Rachlin who resides at No.48 Tompkins Ave., Brooklyn.

Stipulations of discontinuance of the action and for the cancellation of the lis pendens are being signed to-day and an order to that effect will be entered promptly, which should dispose of the pending action.

Very truly yours,

Chas. H. Studin

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65 Greenwich

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August 15th, 1918.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,

-in account with-

STUDIN AND SONNENBERG, Attorneys, Dr.

To Professional Services
in the action of Nathan H.
Rachlin, Settlement with
William F. Trotman, etc. - - - - - - - - - - - - -$5.00

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Received Payment.

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Hon. W. E. B. Dubois

New York City, N.Y.

I Congratulate you sir on your fiftieth (50) Birth day.

And truly hope you see many more of them, as there is so much more good work for you to do.

Again I Congratulate you sir.

Sincerely yours

T. U. Swinney.

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March 9, 1918.

Mr. T. W. Swinney,
1709 Tenth Street,
Berkeley, California.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind congratulations on the occasion of my birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

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